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1870.

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List of the Clergy of the Diocese of Illinois

FOR THE THIRTY-THIRD ANNUAL CONVENTION,
SEPTEMBER, A. D. 1870.

Clergy Marked thus * are not entitled to seats.

- The Right Reverend HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE, D. D., LL. D.,
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- The Rev. JOSEPH ADDERLY, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Chester-
field, and Christ Church, Waverly.
- The Rev. CORNELIUS S. ABBOTT, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Alton;
Rural Dean, South-Western Deanry.
- The Rev. STEPHEN T. ALLEN, Rector of Trinity Church, Aurora.
- The Rev. PETER ARVEDSON, Deacon, officiating in St. John's Church,
Algonquin, and Dundee. P. O., Algonquin.
- The Rev. ANDREW JAMES BARROW, Rector of St. Mark's Church,
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- The Rev. THOMAS N. BENEDICT, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Wy-
oming.
- The Rev. JOHN BENSON, Rector of St. John's Church, Peoria.
- The Rev. JACOB BREDBERG, Rector of St. Ansgarius' Church, Chicago.
- The Rev. GEORGE F. BUGBEE, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Hyde
Park.
- The Rev. JOHN CAUCH, Deacon, officiating in the Church of the
Advent, Marengo.
- The Rev. J. S. CHAMBERLAINE,* Missionary. P. O., Robin's Nest.
- The Rev. J. TAYLOR CHAMBERS, Rector of St. John's Church, Naperville.
- The Rev. PHILANDER CHASE, Missionary at Limestone and parts adja-
cent. P. O., Robin's Nest.
- The Rev. MARCH CHASE, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Chicago.
- The Rev. SAMUEL CHASE, D. D., Vice-President of Jubilee College;
Rector of Christ Church, Robin's Nest; Rural Dean, North-
Western Deanry.
- The Rev. CHARLES E. CHENEY, Rector of Christ Church, Chicago.

- The Rev. CHARLES P. CLARKE, residing at Ottawa.
- The Rev. EDWIN COAN, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Cairo; Rural Dean, Southern Deanry.
- The Rev. JAMES W. COE, officiating in St. Paul's Church, Peoria.
- The Rev. JOHN B. CALHOUN, M. D., Minister at Osco and Cambridge. P. O., Cambridge.
- The Rev. THOMAS K. COLEMAN, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Charleston.
- The Rev. SIDNEY CORBETT, B. D. Rector of St. John's Church, Quincy; Rural Dean, Western Deanry.
- The Rev. SAMUEL COWELL.* P. O., Lockport.
- The Rev. GEORGE F. CUSHMAN, D. D., Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Princeton.
- The Rev. ERASTUS DEWOLF, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Marseilles.
- The Rev. CHARLES P. DORSET, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, and Canon of the Cathedral, Chicago.
- The Rev. ELIJAH H. DOWNING, Rector of Grace Church, Galena.
- The Rev. DAVID W. DRESSER, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Carlinville.
- The Rev. S. BRAINARD DUFFIELD, Rector of Christ Church, Waukegan.
- The Rev. THOMAS HOOKER EDDY, M. D., Polo and Lee Center.
- The Rev. W. W. ESTABROOK, Rector of Christ Church, Ottawa.
- The Rev. THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD, Rector of St. John's Church, Kewanee.
- The Rev. JOHN A. FITCH, residing in Belvidere.
- The Rev. A. W. GLASS, Deacon, Geneva; Missionary on Dixon Air Line Railroad.
- The Rev. WILLIAM FULLER, Pittsburgh, Pa.
- The Rev. GEORGE GIBSON, Missionary at Fulton.
- The Rev. CHARLES A. GILBERT, Rector of Christ Church, Joliet.
- The Rev. JONATHAN E. GOODHUE, Rector of Grace Church, Sterling.
- The Rev. JONAS GREENE, Rector of All Saints, Chicago.
- The Rev. WILLIAM GREENE.*
- The Rev. F. M. GREGG, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Springfield.
- The Rev. C. B. GUILLEMONT, Missionary to the French, St. Anne, Kankakee county.
- The Rev. HENRY T. HIESTER, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Farm Ridge.
- The Rev. THEODORE I. HOLCOMB, Rector of Trinity Church, Rock Island.

- The Rev. BENJAMIN HUTCHINS, Rector of St. John's Church, Albion.
- The Rev. J. NELSON HUME, M. D., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield.
- The Rev. WILLIAM B. F. JACKSON, Rector of the Church of Our Saviour, Chicago.
- The Rev. WILLIAM JOHN JOHNSTONE, Rector of Zion Church, Freeport.
- The Rev. WILLIAM Y. JOHNSON, Rector of St. John's Church, Chillicothe.
- The Rev. EZRA JONES,* Immanuel Hall.
- The Rev. S. RUSSELL JONES,* Chicago.
- The Rev. CHARLES V. KELLEY, D. D., Assistant Minister St. James' Church, Chicago.
- The Rev. JOHN HARRIS KNOWLES, Canon of the Cathedral, Chicago.
- The Rev. CHARLES W. LEFFINGWELL, Rector of St. Mary's School and St. John's Church, Knoxville.
- The Rev. CLINTON LOCKE, D. D., Rector of Grace Church, Chicago.
- The Rev. P. B. LYONS, Deacon, Stone's Prairie.
- The Rev. MATTHEW MAGILL, Rector of St. John's Church, Henry.
- The Rev. WILLIAM INGRAM MAGILL, Rector of Christ Church, Harlem.
- The Rev. PHILIP McKIM, Rector of St. John's Church, Decatur.
- The Rev. BROCKHOLST MORGAN, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Chicago.
- The Rev. THEODORE N. MORRISON, D. D., Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Bloomington; Rural Dean, Eastern Deanry.
- The Rev. FRANCIS B. NASH, Rector of St. Jude's Church, Tiskilwa.
- The Rev. JOHN WESLEY OSBORNE, Missionary on Illinois Central Railroad. P. O., Chicago.
- The Rev. HENRY G. PERRY, Jerseyville and Carrollton.
- The Rev. DUANE S. PHILLIPS, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Kankakee.
- The Rev. JOHN PORTMESS, Rector of Trinity Church, Belvidere.
- The Rev. H. N. POWERS, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Chicago.
- The Rev. WM. M. REYNOLDS, D. D.,* Chicago.
- The Rev. A. B. RUSSELL,* residing in Pekin.
- The Rev. ROBERT RYALL, Rector of Zion Church, Mendon.
- The Rev. JOSEPH H. RYLANCE, D. D., Rector of St. James' Church, Chicago; Rural Dean, Northern Deanry.

- The Rev. HENRY SAFFORD, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Wilmington.
- The Rev. A. W. SNYDER, Rector of Calvary Church, Chicago.
- The Rev. THOMAS SMITH, B. D.,* residing in Chicago.
- The Rev. WILLIAM M. STEEL, Rector of Trinity Church, Onarga.
- The Rev. GEORGE C. STREET, Associate Rector of the Church of the Ascension, and Canon of the Cathedral, Chicago.
- The Rev. EDWARD SULLIVAN, A. M., Rector of Trinity Church, Chicago.
- The Rev. RICHARD F. SWEET, B. D., Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Chicago.
- The Rev. OSCAR B. THAYER, Rector of the Church of the Atonement, Chicago.
- The Rev. WM. THOMPSON, Rector of Grace Church, Galesburgh.
- The Rev. I. L. TOWNSEND, Rector of Trinity Church, Jacksonville, and Rural Dean, Middle Deanry.
- The Rev. ROBERT TREWARTHA, Deacon; officiating in Paris, Coles county.
- The Rev. GUSTAV UNONIUS,* residing in Sweden.
- The Rev. WM. E. WALKER, Deacon; Missionary, Trinity Church, Geneseo.
- The Rev. J. E. WALTON, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Rockford.
- The Rev. ALBERT E. WELLS,* Chicago.
- The Rev. JOHN R. WEST,* absent in Europe.
- The Rev. WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Dixon.

CLERGY RESIDENT, NOT TRANSFERRED.

- The Rev. GERSHOM P. WALDO, Springfield.
- The Rev. WILLIAM TURNER, Lockport.
- The Rev. CHARLES B. STOUT, Chicago.

Whole number of Clergy canonically resident in the Diocese:

Bishop	1
Priests.....	83
Deacons.	5—89
Number entitled to seats in this Convention.....	78
Number present entitled to seats.....	57
Number present not entitled to seats.....	3
Number absent entitled to seats.....	20
Number absent not entitled to seats.....	9

CLERGY ENTITLED TO SEATS
PRESENT AT THIS CONVENTION.

The Rt. Rev. HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE, D. D., etc., Bishop of the Diocese.

The Rev. C. S. Abbott,	The Rev. J. N. Hume, M. D.,
“ S. T. Allen,	“ W. F. B. Jackson,
“ Peter Arvedson,	“ C. V. Kelley, D. D.,
“ A. J. Barrow,	“ J. H. Knowles,
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“ Edwin Coan,	“ F. B. Nash,
“ James W. Coe,	“ J. W. Osborne,
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“ G. F. Cushman, D. D.,	“ H. N. Powers, D. D.,
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“ E. H. Downing,	“ Robert Ryall,
“ D. W. Dresser,	“ J. H. Rylance, D. D.,
“ S. Brainard Duffield,	“ A. W. Snyder,
“ T. H. Eddy, M. D.,	“ W. M. Steel,
“ W. W. Estabrook,	“ Geo. C. Street,
“ A. W. Glass,	“ Edward Sullivan, A. M.,
“ F. M. Gregg,	“ R. F. Sweet,
“ C. A. Gilbert,	“ Henry Safford,
“ J. E. Goodhue,	“ O. B. Thayer,
“ † Jonas Greene,	“ William Thompson,
“ C. B. Guillemont,	“ I. L. Townsend,
“ H. T. Hiester,	“ William E. Walker,
“ Theodore I. Holcomb,	“ W. H. Williams.

CLERGY ENTITLED TO SEATS
ABSENT FROM THIS CONVENTION.

The Rev. Joseph Adderly,	The Rev. George Gibson,
“ T. N. Benedict,	“ B. Hutchins,
“ John Benson,	“ Wm. John Johnstone,
“ John Cauch,	“ Wm. Y. Johnson,
“ P. Chase,	“ P. McKim,
“ C. E. Cheney,	“ Clinton Locke, D. D.,
“ C. P. Clark,	“ P. B. Lyons,
“ John B. Colhoun, M. D.,	“ A. B. Russell,
“ E. DeWolf,	“ Robert Trewartha,
“ T. B. Fairchild,	“ J. E. Walton.

CLERGY NOT ENTITLED TO SEATS
PRESENT AT THIS CONVENTION.

The Rev. Ezra Jones, The Rev. W. M. Reynolds, D. D.,
The Rev. Albert E. Wells.

CLERGY NOT ENTITLED TO SEATS
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The Rev. Samuel Cowell,	The Rev. S. Russell Jones,
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“ John A. Fitch,	“ Gustav Unonius,
“ William Greene,	“ John R. West.
“ William Fuller,	

CLERGY OF OTHER DIOCESES PRESENT DURING THE SITTINGS OF
THIS CONVENTION.

The Rt. Rev. J. C. Talbot, D. D., Assistant Bishop of Indiana.
The Rev. J. L. Gay, Diocese of Indiana.
“ Wm. Henderson, Diocese of Iowa.
“ Geo. N. James, Diocese of Michigan.
“ S. F. Jarvis, Diocese of Connecticut.
“ Wm. Lusk, Jr., Diocese of Michigan.
“ G. J. Magill, Diocese of Indiana.
“ J. G. Smith, Diocese of Wisconsin.
“ G. P. Waldo, Diocese of Western New York.
“ J. H. Waterbury, Diocese of Western New York.
“ E. B. Welles, Diocese of Minnesota.
“ John Wilkinson, Diocese of Wisconsin.

List of Parishes

ENTITLED TO REPRESENTATION IN THIS CONVENTION, WITH
THE NAMES OF LAY DELEGATES.

Delegates marked thus * were absent, or were not heard to answer to their names.

St. John's,.....	Algonquin,.....	{ James Kee.
St. Paul's,.....	Alton,.....	{ David S. Dutro, *J. W. Schweppe, *M. M. Dutro.
Trinity,.....	Aurora,.....	{ Samuel Hoyles.
Trinity,.....	Belvidere,.....	{ Nijah Hotchkiss, *Geo. M. Peal, *Henry Pineger.
Redeemer,.....	Cairo,.....	{ H. H. Candee, H. Wardner, M. D., W. W. Thornton.
St. Paul's,.....	Carlinville,.....	{ *M. H. Head, M. D., *James McIntyre, *Fred. L. Matthews, M. D.
St. Mark's,.....	Chester,.....	{ *R. B. Servant, *Charles Sanders, *Wm. R. Marlin.
Ascension,.....	Chicago,.....	{ J. L. Watson, J. H. Batton, Thos. Condell.
Atonement,.....	Chicago,.....	{ Reuben Taylor, J. J. White, *Charles Morris.
Calvary,.....	Chicago,.....	{ Henry Pilcher, S. M. Hunt, Sr., C. H. Roberts.

Epiphany,.....	Chicago,.....	{	D. W. Page, Geo. Gardner, Chas. E. Chase.
Grace,.....	Chicago,.....	{	*W. J. Barney, Henry C. Ranney, L. B. Otis.
Our Saviour,.....	Chicago,.....	{	Franklin Hatheway, C. P. Buckingham.
St. Ansgarius',.....	Chicago,.....	{	John M. Shonbeck, Gustav Bredberg, A. Larson.
St. James',.....	Chicago,.....	{	Thomas Wheeler, M. D., Daniel Goodwin, Jr., John P. McGregor.
St. John's,.....	Chicago,.....	{	*Job Carpenter, C. H. Jordan, E. J. Hill.
St. Mark's,.....	Chicago,.....	{	Melville W. Fuller, J. Barwick, A. E. Neely.
Trinity,.....	Chicago,.....	{	G. R. Chittenden, *F. P. Fisher, *L. P. Hilliard.
Holy Trinity,.....	Danville,.....	{	Amos S. Williams, A. G. Denney.
St. Luke's,.....	Dixon,.....	{	Franklin Weeks, *James A. Hawley.
St. James',.....	Dundee,.....	{	*C. F. Cleaveland, *A. S. Hollister, George Barnet.
Redeemer,.....	Elgin,.....	{	John F. Beaty, A. E. Bently.
St. Mark's,.....	Evanston,.....	{	Geo. P. Lee, Charles Comstock, *Henry W. Hinsdale.
Calvary,.....	Farmington,.....	{	*F. A. Warner, M. D., Thomas Bell.

St. Andrew's.....Farm Ridge.....	{	*A. W. Griffith, *R. B. Williams, *B. A. Bigelow.
Christ Church,.....Fulton,.....	{	F. L. Norton.
Grace, .....Galena,	{	Frederick Stahl, Daniel Le Better, *C. C. P. Hunt.
Christ Church,.....Harlem,.....	{	John H. S. Quick, *J. Q. Thompson, *Thomas T. Moore.
St. John's,.....Henry.....	{	*Thomas L. Davis, *John Morgan, Jr., Richard H. Waterfall.
St. Paul's,.....Hyde Park,.....	{	*Allen Fiske, *W. K. Ackerman, *S. H. Larminie.
Trinity,.....Jacksonville,.....	{	*I. L. Morrison, *Henry Stryker, Sr., *H. W. Milligan, M. D.
St. Paul's,.....Kankakee,.....	{	Emory Cobb, William G. Swannell.
St. James',.....Lewistown,.....	{	S. Corning Judd, E. M. M. Clarke, Thomas R. Walker.
Zion,.....Mendon,.....	{	*John Lunn, *Eli Banks.
St. John's,.....Naperville,.....	{	Samuel Gehr, James G. Wright, *T. M. Hibbard.
Christ Church,.....Ottawa,.....	{	*William Osman, *H. A. Howland.
St. John's,.....Peoria,.....	{	Samuel Wilkinson, *Richard F. Seabury, *Benjamin Cowell.
St. Paul's,.....Peoria.....	{	*Matthew Griswold, A. G. Tyng, *O. P. Bissell.

Redeemer,.....Princeton,.....	{ S. R. Jerome, *Thomas M. Woodruff, *Edward Harris.
St. John's,.....Quincy,.....	{ *Francis C. Moore, H. A. Williamson, S. C. Sherman.
Christ Church,.....Robin's Nest,.....	{ *Joseph Mayo, *O. H. White, Cecil Moss.
Trinity,.....Rock Island,.....	{ Stilman K. W. Fields, *W. B. Grenelle, Richard Crampton.
St. Paul's,.....Springfield,.....	{ S. H. Treat, R. P. Johnston, George H. Harlow.
Christ Church,.....Waukegan,.....	{ William Besley, Charles R. Steele, H. B. Steele.
Redeemer,.....Wilmington,.....	{ *Geo. W. Hayes, James A. Johnson.

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THE CATHEDRAL, CHICAGO,
September 13th, A. D., 1870.

The Thirty-third Annual Convention of the Diocese of Illinois assembled for Divine Worship in the Cathedral, Chicago, on Tuesday, the 13th day of September, A. D., 1870, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Morning Prayer was begun and continued to the Creed by the Rev. CHARLES A. GILBERT, Rector of Christ Church, Joliet; the First Lesson read by the Rev. D. W. DRESSER, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Carlinville, and the Second Lesson by the Rev. S. T. ALLEN, Rector of Trinity Church, Aurora.

The Rev. T. N. MORRISON, D. D., Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Bloomington, said the Creed and concluding Collects.

The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Rev. SAMUEL CHASE, D. D.

The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. C. P. DORSET, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Chicago, and Canon of the Cathedral.

The Alms at the Offertory were devoted to Diocesan Missions.

The Right Reverend the BISHOP proceeded with the Communion Service, and also administered the Holy Communion to the Clergy, Lay Delegates and Congregation present.

Divine Service having been concluded, the Convention met for organization and business at 2 o'clock P. M.

The Secretary called the names of the Clergy of the Diocese entitled to seats in Convention, in all seventy-eight; of this number forty-seven were present.*

There being a quorum of the Clergy, the list of the Parishes entitled to representation was read. The certificates of the Lay Delegates, were, on call, presented, and referred to a Committee consisting of the Rev. SAMUEL CHASE, D. D., Mr. L. B. OTIS, and the SECRETARY.

The Committee reported as correct the entire list.

The Secretary then called the names of the Lay Delegates, when it was found that twenty-four Parishes were represented in Convention.†

There being present a Canonical number of Lay Delegates, thus constituting a quorum of both Orders, the Convention was declared to be duly organized and ready for business.

The "Rules of Order" were then read.

The election of Secretary being next in order, on motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and the Rev. JOHN HARRIS KNOWLES was unanimously re-elected.

On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and Mr. GEORGE P. LEE was unanimously re-elected Treasurer.

The Secretary asked for an Assistant, and nominated the Rev. MARCH CHASE. The nomination was, on motion, confirmed.

* A list of the Clergy who attended this Convention is prefixed to the Journal. See p. 11.

† A list of the Lay Delegates present during the session of this Convention is prefixed to the Journal. See pp. 13-16.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That Clergymen present not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen from other Dioceses, and Candidates for Holy Orders, be admitted to honorary seats in this Convention, and that they be requested to hand their names to the Secretary.*

The BISHOP gave notice that the seats of the East Transept were reserved for this purpose.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees :

I. ON THE INCORPORATION OF CHURCHES.—The Rev. J. H. Rylance, D. D., Mr. Emory Cobb, Mr. M. W. Fuller.

II. ON FINANCE.—The Rev. T. N. Morrison, D. D., Mr. R. P. Johnston, Mr. Samuel Wilkinson.

III. ON PRIVILEGE.—The Rev. G. F. Cushman, D. D., The Rev. Sidney Corbett, B. D., Mr. S. C. Sherman, Mr. Geo. R. Chittenden.

IV. ON LEGISLATION.—The Rev. Samuel Chase, D. D., The Rev. C. A. Gilbert, The Rev. C. P. Dorset, Mr. S. H. Treat, Mr. L. B. Otis, Mr. H. C. Ranney.

V. ON THE EXTENSION OF THE CHURCH.—The Rev. Edward Sullivan, The Rev. C. S. Abbott, Mr. E. J. Hill, Mr. Samuel Gehr.

VI.—ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.—The Rev. W. W. Estabrook, Mr. J. H. S. Quick.

The President also appointed the Inspectors of Election, as follows :

For Standing Committee :

CLERICAL VOTES.

The Rev. A. W. Snyder.
Mr. Geo. H. Harlow.

LAY VOTES.

The Rev. Brockholst Morgan,
Mr. Thomas Bell.

For Deputies to General Convention :

CLERICAL VOTES.

The Rev. Geo. C. Street,
Mr. F. L. Hatheway.

LAY VOTES.

The Rev. D. W. Dresser,
Mr. Wm. Besley.

* A list of Clergymen from other Dioceses, present at the Convention, is prefixed to the Journal. See p. 12.

For Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Illinois :

CLERICAL VOTES.

The Rev. S. B. Duffield,
Mr. John F. Beaty.

LAY VOTES.

The Rev. Henry Safford,
Mr. J. L. Watson.

On motion, a Committee was appointed on the proper interpretation of Resolution relating to additional assessments, p. 57 Journal of last Convention.

Said committee consisted of :

The Rev. Sidney Corbett, B. D.,
Mr. Samuel Wilkinson.

Mr. S. H. Treat,

On motion, the applications of parishes not entitled to seats in this Convention, in consequence of being delinquent in payment of their arrears of Diocesan dues and assessments, were referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following Parishes made application and were thus referred :

Calvary, Chicago ; Trinity, Belvidere ; Grace, Galena ; Redeemer, Princeton ; Redeemer, Elgin ; St. Stephen's, Pittsfield ; St. Paul's, Warsaw ; Grace, Galesburgh ; Holy Trinity, Danville ; St. John's, Lockport ; Redeemer, Wilmington ; Grace, Sterling ; St. Luke's, Dixon ; Trinity, Geneseo.

On motion, the following were added to the Committee on Finance :

Mr. George Gardner,

Tolman Wheeler, M. D.

The Committee appointed on the proper interpretation of Resolution regarding additional assessment, (p. 57 Journal of last Convention,) presented and read the following

REPORT.

The Committee appointed to give an interpretation to the Resolution of raising \$4,000 additional, by means of "Equalization," for Diocesan purposes, decide that, in their judgment (on account of the reading of said Resolution), they regard it, as it stands in the Conventional Minutes, as absolute in its obligations, and has no reference to the proviso in the previous Canon.

SIDNEY CORBETT, *Chairman*.

Papers of application for admission into union with the Convention, were received from St. John's Church, Henry, and the Church of the Good Shepherd, Momence, and referred to the Committee on the Incorporation of Churches.

The Committee reported that the papers of St. John's Church, Henry, were correct, but retained those from Momence for further consideration.

On motion, St. John's Church, Henry, was admitted into union with the Convention.

Miscellaneous Business.

The Committee on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons presented and read a partial Report, by the introduction of the Constitution, with the proposed alterations and amendments.

On motion, the Convention took a recess until 7½ o'clock, the BISHOP having given notice that at that time he would read his Annual Address.

The hour having arrived for the resumption of business, the Convention was called to order by the BISHOP, who, after religious services, proceeded with the reading of his Address.

At its conclusion, after the singing of a Hymn, and the Doxology, with prayers and benediction by the BISHOP, on motion, the Convention adjourned to meet again Wednesday, at nine o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

THE CATHEDRAL, CHICAGO,
Wednesday, September 14, A. D., 1870.

The Convention met, pursuant to adjournment, at 9 o'clock A. M.

Morning Prayer was begun and continued to the Creed by the REV. EDWIN COAN, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Cairo, and Rural Dean of the Southern Deanry. The REV. E. H. DOWNING, Rector of Grace Church, Galena, read the Lessons. The REV. J. H. KNOWLES, Canon of the Cathedral, said the Creed, Collects, and the Litany.

The Convention was then called to order by the President, and the roll called by the Secretary.

The minutes were read and approved.

The certificates of Lay Delegates not present before were called for, presented, and referred to the Committee. Those presented were found correct, and approved. The Lay Delegates answering took their seats.*

The names of members not present on the first day were called. Those answering took their seats.†

The Committee on the Incorporation of Churches requested further time to report on the papers of the Church at Momence.

The Report of the Standing Committee was presented and read, as follows:

* A list of the Lay Delegates present in this Convention is prefixed to the Journal. See pp. 13-16.

† A list of the Clergy who attended this Convention is prefixed to the Journal. See p. 11.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE, FOR
THE CONVENTIONAL YEAR 1869-70.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese respectfully report as follows:

At the Annual Convention of the Diocese, held in the Cathedral Church of SS. Peter and Paul, September 15th, 1869, the Revs. Clinton Locke, D. D.; J. H. Rylance, D. D.; E. Sullivan, A. M., and Messrs. A. C. Calkins, Geo. R. Chittenden and H. C. Ranney were elected the Standing Committee.

September 17th, 1869.—The Committee met and organized by the election of the Rev. Clinton Locke, D. D., as President, and Mr. H. C. Ranney, as Secretary.

September 30th, 1869.—Signed Testimonials of Frank H. Potts, recommending him to the Bishop as a candidate for Holy Orders.

November 16th, 1869.—Signed Testimonials of Adrian Zimmerman, recommending him to the Bishop as a candidate for Holy Orders.

Signed Testimonials of Consent to the Consecration of the Rev. Henry Niles Pierce, D. D., as Missionary Bishop of Arkansas, etc.

Appropriated \$400 of Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund to Rev. Asa Griswold, for purchase of a small homestead; \$100 to Rev. C. P. Clark, of Ottawa, and \$100 to Rev. B. Hutchins, of Albion.

March 19th, 1870.—Signed Testimonials of Charles Edward Ryder, recommending him to the Bishop as a candidate for Holy Orders, with full qualifications.

April 1st, 1870.—Signed Testimonials of Rev. James Nelson Hume, M. D., recommending him to the Bishop as a candidate for Priests' Orders.

June 11th, 1870.—Accepted resignation of the Rev. Clinton Locke, D. D., as a member of the Committee, in consequence of absence in Europe, and elected the Rev. C. P. Dorset to fill the vacancy.

The Rev. E. Sullivan, A. M., was elected President. Testimonials were signed, recommending the Rev. James Nelson Hume, M. D., as worthy to be admitted to the sacred Order of Priests.

Signed Testimonials of Consent to the Consecration of the Rev. William Pinkney, D. D., as Assistant Bishop of Maryland.

Appropriated \$300 dollars of Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund to Rev. B. Hutchins, and \$100, same fund, to Rev. A. Griswold.

June 13th, 1870.—Received notice from the Bishop of their appointment as the "Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese of Illinois," during his absence from the United States.

July 7th, 1870.—Signed Testimonials recommending George Henry Higgins to the "Ecclesiastical Authority" as a candidate for Holy Orders.

September 8th, 1870.—Signed Testimonials recommending Theodore Nerm Morrison, Jr., to the Bishop as a candidate for Holy Orders.

E. SULLIVAN, *President.*

HENRY C. RANNEY, *Secretary.*

The Standing Committee, acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, presented the following:

REPORT OF THE "ECCLESIASTICAL AUTHORITY OF THE DIOCESE OF ILLINOIS," DURING THE ABSENCE OF THE BISHOP FROM THE UNITED STATES.

The Standing Committee, acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, respectfully report as follows:

June 13th, 1870.—Received notice from the Bishop of their appointment as the "Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese."

July 7th, 1870.—On recommendation of the Standing Committee, admitted George Henry Higgins, of Robin's Nest, Illinois, as a candidate for Holy Orders.

Accepted Letters Dimissory, transferring the Rev. Henry Safford from the Diocese of Michigan.

Received an application for a new Parish at Galva; but opposition being shown, postponed action until the return of the Bishop.

E. SULLIVAN, *President.*

HENRY C. RANNEY, *Secretary.*

The Treasurer presented his report, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Your Committee, appointed to report "unfinished business," beg leave to report the following:

The Report of the Committee on that part of the Bishop's Address of 1868, relating to the necessity of making suitable provision for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergy. *Journal*, p. 26.

The Report of the Committee on that part of the Bishop's Address, as related to the better support of the Clergy. *Journal*, p. 58.

The Report of the Committee on Episcopal Residence. *Journal*, pp. 26 and 32.

Report of the Committee on Constitution and Canons. *Journal*, pp. 49-51 and 59.

W. W. ESTABROOK, *Chairman.*

The Board of Missions presented and read a Report, which, on motion, was re-committed.

The Committee on Finance presented and read the following:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE,

To whom were referred the cases of the several Parishes not entitled to representation at this Convention, in consequence of erroneous assessments, etc.

In the case of Grace Church, Galena, which Parish has paid the Canonical Assessment and arrearages from last year, of \$6.80, and also the assessment on the actual amount paid in salary of \$800, making \$32, while they were erroneously assessed by the Committee on \$1,200, your Committee recommend the remission of \$16, being the amount of erroneous assessment, and that the Parish be admitted to a seat in Convention.

In the case of the Church of the Redeemer, Princeton, the Committee on Equalization assessed it upon the basis of \$1,060, while the actual amount paid by the Parish for salary was only \$560. Your Committee recommend a remission of \$22, and that it be admitted.

In the case of Grace Church, Galesburg, your Committee recommend that it be admitted upon the payment of assessment upon 47 Communicants, though reported as having 75 Communicants, which number was found to be erroneous, the Wardens protesting at the time the Report was made as being erroneous.

In the case of St. John's, Lockport, your Committee recommend a deduction in their case of \$36, making the amount due by said Parish on assessments of \$95, instead of \$131, as reported.

In the case of St. Paul's, Warsaw, which was assessed on \$1,000, while the actual amount paid in the Parish was only \$500, your Committee recommend the remission of the whole amount assessed.

In the case of Calvary Church, Chicago, the assessment of the Committee was based upon \$2,000, as amount of salary, when the actual amount paid was \$1,200. Your Committee recommend the remission of \$32.

In the case of the Church of the Redeemer, Wilmington, your Committee recommend that upon the payment of \$57.11, it be discharged from balance of assessment, and admitted to Convention.

In the case of the Church of Atonement, Chicago, your Committee recommend a remission of \$62 in their assessment.

In the case of St. Paul's, Peoria, your Committee recommend the admission of the Parish, upon the payment of \$219.

In the case of St. James' Church, Lewistown, your Committee said that the understanding of the Parish was that the provision of 10 per cent. upon the income of the Parish applied to the entire assessments, including that by the Committee on Equalization; and said Parish have paid over that amount, and its Delegates, coming to Convention upon that understanding, would therefore recommend their payment to be accepted, and the Parish admitted to representation in this Convention.

T. N. MORRISON, *Chairman.*

The following was presented, read, and on motion adopted :

Resolved, That the operation of the Resolution on p. 42 of the Journal of the Convention of 1869, be suspended, in so far only as it provides that Parishes still delinquent on the Bonded Debt shall not be admitted to representation in this Convention.

On motion, Grace Church, Galena, was admitted to representation in this Convention, upon the conditions specified in the Report of the Committee on Finance.

On motion, the Church of the Redeemer, Princeton, was similarly admitted.

A motion was made to admit Grace Church, Galesburg, as recommended by the Committee, which was lost.

In the case of St. John's Church, Lockport, the following resolution was presented and adopted:

Resolved, That the sum of \$36 be remitted to the Parish of St. John's, Lockport, as an expression of the sympathy of this Convention with the Parish in its noble efforts to renew the life and power of the Church in Lockport.

On motion, St. Paul's Church, Warsaw, was admitted, as recommended by the Committee.

Similar motions prevailed in the case of Trinity Church, Geneseo; Calvary, Chicago; St. Luke's, Dixon; Church of the Redeemer, Wilmington; Atone-ment, Chicago; St. Paul's, Peoria, and St. James', Lewistown.

On motion, St. Ansgarius' Church, Chicago, was admitted to representation.

On motion, the Church of the Redeemer, Elgin, was admitted to representation.

At one o'clock, on motion, the Convention took a recess until two o'clock.

The hour having arrived for the resumption of business, the Convention was called to order by the BISHOP.

On motion, that portion of the Bishop's Address relating to the creation of New Dioceses, within the bounds of the present jurisdiction of Illinois, was referred to a Committee of thirteen, six Clergymen and six Laymen, with the BISHOP at its head.

Said Committee was appointed as follows, and, on motion of the BISHOP, was approved by the Convention :

The Right Reverend the BISHOP,

The Rev. S. Chase, D. D.,	Mr. S. C. Judd,
The Rev. Sidney Corbett,	Mr. Matthew Griswold,
The Rev. F. M. Gregg,	Mr. S. H. Treat,
The Rev. C. S. Abbott,	Mr. I. L. Morrison,
The Rev. J. H. Rylance, D. D.,	Mr. L. B. Otis,
The Rev. T. N. Morrison, D. D.,	Mr. G. P. Lee.

On motion, that portion of the Episcopal Address consisting of obituary notices was referred to a Committee, which was appointed as follows :

The Rev. S. T. Allen,	Mr. J. P. McGregor,
The Rev. Jacob Bredberg,	Mr. J. M. Shonbeck.

On motion, that portion of the Bishop's Address relating to the revision of the Authorized Version of the Bible, as proposed in the Province of Canterbury, was referred to a Committee.

Said Committee was appointed, as follows :

The Rev. S. Chase, D. D.,	Mr. H. C. Ranney,
The Rev. E. Sullivan, A. M.,	Mr. A. G. Tyng.
The Rev. G. F. Cushman, D. D.,	

The following bill of costs in the appeal to the Supreme Court of Illinois, in the Cheney case, was presented, and, on motion, referred to the Committee on Finance :

The following were the necessary expenses of the appeal to the Supreme Court of Illinois, in the case of Samuel Chase *et al.*, Appellants, *vs.* Charles E. Cheney, Respondent:

1869.			
Sept. 27.—	Paid for Record.....	\$119 75	
Sept. 27.—	“ Reporter.....	10 00	
Feb. 9.—	“ Printing Arguments of Messrs. Goudy & Judd.....	303 50	
Feb. 9.—	Supreme Court Docket Fees.....	10 00	
1869.	“	\$443 25	
Oct. 28.—	Credit by various subscriptions received of Geo. P. Lee, Treasurer of Fund.	\$129 75	
Feb. 9.—	Received of Geo. P. Lee, Treasurer of Fund....	74 00	
		<u>\$203 75</u>	
	Balance due.....	\$239 50	

The above bills were all paid upon voucher of Mr. Goudy, and the money was advanced in order that the appeal might be perfected.

I respectfully ask that the above balance be refunded to me. In the event of a favorable decision, these costs, with the exception of \$10, will be refunded.

CHICAGO, Sept. 13, 1870.

W. F. WHITEHOUSE.

The Committee on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons presented and read their Report.

On motion, the Convention took a further recess until eight o'clock.

The hour having arrived for the resumption of business, the Convention was called to order by the BISHOP.

A communication was presented and read, from certain parties contesting the seats of certain of the Lay Delegates from the Church of the Atonement, Chicago.

On motion, said communication was referred to the Committee on Privilege.

The Committee on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons resumed the reading of their Report.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet again on Thursday, at 9 o'clock A. M.

THIRD DAY.

THE CATHEDRAL, CHICAGO,
Thursday, Sept. 16, A. D., 1870.

The Convention met, pursuant to adjournment, at 9 o'clock A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. F. M. GREGG, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Springfield. The Lessons were read by the Rev. I. L. TOWNSEND, Rector of Trinity Church, Jacksonville, and Rural Dean, Middle Deanry.

The Convention was then called to order by the BISHOP, and the roll called by the Secretary.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with, and the same committed to the BISHOP and Secretary for compilation.

The Committee on Finance presented and read the following Report :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Treasurer's Report, have examined the same and found it correct.

The Committee, regarding the Report of the Treasurer as of great importance, and considering that some action on the part of this Convention is necessary to render the financial condition of the Diocese more satisfactory and honorable, beg leave to offer the following resolutions :

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by the Convention, to be termed a Board of Equalization, whose duty it shall be, within the next seventy days, to apportion the sum of \$4,000, the additional amount necessary to be raised during the present year, among the Parishes of the Diocese, according to the pecuniary ability of each ; special reference being had to the amount paid in salaries by each Parish during the past year. Said amount to be paid quarterly, and a failure of any Parish to pay its respective quota of above amount, shall bring upon it the Canonical penalties imposed by Canon XIII, for failure to pay Diocesan dues.

Resolved, That the said assessment be made on the entire amount, in excess of \$500, paid by Parishes for salaries.

Resolved, That the officers of Parishes be instructed to see that the regular quarterly collections, provided for by Canon, be promptly taken, and the proceeds be forwarded at once to the Treasurer.

Resolved, That this Convention provide for the payment of \$1,024, which, while it is not a *debt* against the Missionary Fund, is in justice due the Missionaries appointed by the Missionary Board.

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the account of costs in the case of Samuel Chase, *et al.*, *vs.* C. E. Cheney, have examined the same, and found it correct, and offer the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocese is instructed to pay to Wm. F. Whitehouse, Esq., the sum of two hundred and thirty-nine dollars and fifty cents, out of any moneys in his hands, not otherwise appropriated, the same being for expenses advanced by him in the case of Samuel Chase, *et al.*, Appellants, *vs.* Charles E. Cheney, Appellee, in the Supreme Court of Illinois.

(Signed,)

T. N. MORRISON, *Chairman*.

The Resolutions as presented were each severally, on motion, adopted.

On motion, the Board of Equalization, as it existed last year, was re-appointed.

The Committee on Privilege presented the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Privilege have considered the document presented by certain parties from the Church of the Atonement, and claiming seats, and respectfully report that they find in the same nothing that, under our Diocesan Canons, calls for the action of the Convention.

GEO. F. CUSHMAN, *Chairman*.

The Committee on St. Mary's School, Knoxville, presented the following Report and Resolutions:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE FOR ST. MARY'S SCHOOL.

The Committee appointed by the last Convention (Journal, page 56) to represent the Diocese in business relations with the School property of Knoxville, would report the following action:

In October, 1869, the indebtedness of the Diocese on this property amounted to \$3,050. There was also a mortgage of \$1,000 on the property, of which the Rector of the School proposed to relieve the Diocese, if all other indebtedness should be cancelled. The Committee, therefore, appealed by circulars and letters to the Clergy of the Diocese for contributions to the amount of \$3,000. Of this amount, \$1,050 has been subscribed, and in part paid to the Committee; and is now held by the Committee, awaiting the payment of the remainder, when the final transfer of the property may be effected.

In view of the urgent need of the prompt payment of this whole amount, and to secure the transfer and change of Charter by the coming Legislature, Mr. Chauncey T. Bowen, of Grace Church, Chicago, has

offered to loan the sum needed, taking security for the money on the property. This proposition is acceptable to the present holders of the property, and a formal vote of the Board of Trustees is in the hands of the Committee, by which they agree to mortgage the property to the amount of \$3,500, if so much be needed, to close the transaction.

By this arrangement, the original mortgage of \$1,000 will need to be included, and in place of cancelling this mortgage, the Rector will become responsible for the payment of interest on the whole amount.

The following estimate is made of the present condition of the indebtedness:

Bill of Furniture, with Interest from April, 1868.....	\$2,300
Note at Bank for Improvements, with Interest.....	550
Due Mr. Hester, for money advanced.....	200
Mortgage, with accrued Interest.....	1,450
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	\$4,500
Subscribed	\$1,050

The Committee, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this Convention, on behalf of the Diocese of Illinois, accept the offer of Mr. C. T. Bowen, to loan the money needed to cancel the indebtedness on the School Property in Knoxville, and receive the property, with the encumbrance necessary to effect said loan.

Resolved, That the Convention make some provision by which the whole encumbrance may be cleared in the course of the next three years.

Resolved, That Mr. Geo. P. Lee be appointed to carry out the provisions of the above resolution, and to receive and hold the stock in trust for the Diocese.

C. W. LEFFINGWELL,
S. CORNING JUDD,
WM. HESTER,
Committee.

The Resolutions appended to the foregoing Report, were each, on motion, severally adopted.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That a Committee of Three be appointed to take in hand the matter referred to in the foregoing Resolutions.

Said Committee was appointed as follows:

Mr. H. C. Ranney, Mr. J. P. McGregor, Mr. Geo. R. Chittenden.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Equalization be increased to five, by the addition of the Treasurer of the Diocese, and E. J. Hill, of Chicago.

The following Resolution was read, and, on motion, adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Equalization be authorized to receive applications during the year from those Parishes in arrears to the Diocesan Fund, seeking the remission or modification of such obligations, and that, upon an examination of the grounds and merits of such applications, said Committee be empowered to adjust the financial relations of said Parishes in such wise as they may deem wise and just.

The Committee on the Bonded Debt presented and read their Report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BONDED DEBT.

TO THE DIOCESE OF ILLINOIS, IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED:

The Committee upon Bonded Debt ask leave to report the payment of \$1,945.36 upon the Bonded Debt during the past year, leaving a balance of \$1,690 06 still unpaid.

This Committee would urge the Parishes in arrears to the Bonded Debt, to make an effort this year to pay this obligation.

The amount remaining unpaid is small. The Parishes in arrears are becoming less and less in number.

This bond has to be paid.

The Parishes which have paid would be treated unjustly, were any of their sister Parishes not to pay their share.

Yet, until this bond is paid, it is a stigma upon the whole Diocese.

Will the few Parishes not yet paid, be willing to allow the responsibility of this stain on the honor of the Diocese of Illinois to rest upon them?

Your Committee earnestly believe that the Parishes in arrears on the Bonded Debt will not longer neglect this matter; that they will exercise prompt energy in the liquidation of this obligation, and that it may be announced at the next Convention of this Diocese, the Bonded Debt has been paid.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. R. CHITTENDEN,

Sept. 13, 1870.

For Committee.

On motion, the Committee on the Bonded Debt was continued, with like powers.

The Trustees of the Diocese presented and read the following:

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE DIOCESE OF ILLINOIS.

TO THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF ILLINOIS:

The Trustees of this Diocese have to report no business transactions by the Board during the past year.

Respectfully submitted.

CHARLES A. GILBERT,
J. H. RYLANCE,
GEO. R. CHITTENDEN.

Chicago, Sept. 13, 1870.

At one o'clock, on motion, the Convention took a recess of an hour.

The hour having arrived for the resumption of business, the BISHOP called the Convention to order.

A motion was made and adopted to restrict speeches during the remainder of the Session, to five minutes.

The following Canon, providing for an Appellate Court in the Diocese of Illinois, was presented, and, on motion, adopted:

CANON.

SECTION 1. The Bishop and Rural Deans of the Diocese shall constitute the Appellate Court of the Diocese, of which the Bishop shall be Presiding Judge. In case of the Bishop's absence from the Diocese, or if for any reason he do not sit, one of the Rural Deans, to be named by the Bishop (or, in his absence from the Diocese, by the Standing Committee), shall act as Presiding Judge. A majority of the members of the Appellate Court shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. The Court shall appoint a Clerk, who shall keep a correct record of their proceedings.

SEC. 2. Any Minister of this Church who has been found guilty upon any proceedings had under Canon XX of this Diocese, may appeal from such verdict and decision to the Appellate Court of the Diocese, by filing with the Bishop his appeal in writing within ten days from the date of such verdict and decision; and such appeal shall set out the decision and specify that the party appeals from the same, or from some part thereof, and what part. The Bishop may extend the time for taking such appeal, by a certificate in writing, but not to exceed ten additional days. Such appeal being taken as herein provided, the Bishop shall not pronounce sentence upon the appellant, under the verdict and decision aforesaid, until and unless the subsequent adjudication or

adjudications in the case shall authorize the same; nor shall the Bishop pass sentence as provided in Section 7 of Canon XX, if an appeal be prayed at the time of the finding and verdict, until the expiration of the time allowed for perfecting such appeal.

SEC. 3. Upon such appeal being filed with the Bishop, he shall certify the appeal, also the original verdict, together with the evidence delivered to him, as provided in Section 7 of Canon XX of this Diocese, to the Appellate Court of the Diocese; and if the Bishop, for any reason, shall determine not to sit as an officiating member of the Appellate Court, he shall transmit such papers to the Rural Dean named to act as Presiding Judge. The Bishop (or, if he do not act, the Presiding Judge,) shall thereupon appoint the time and place for the meeting of the Court to hear such appeal, and shall give notice in writing thereof to the several members of the Court, and also to the appellant and one of the presenters, or to one of the advocates or proctors who appeared for them respectively in the Court below; and he shall also have power, at any time before the convening of the Court, to change such time and place, causing reasonable notice of such change to be given to the members of the Court, and also to the appellant and one of the presenters, or to one of the advocates or proctors who appeared for them respectively in the Court below as aforesaid. After convening, the Court may adjourn from day to day, or from time to time. Less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Advocates or proctors shall be allowed on either side, in the Appellate Court, possessing the qualifications prescribed in the fourth section of Canon XX aforesaid.

SEC. 4. The Appellate Court, upon the record in the case, by a majority vote, may reverse the decision of the Court below, in whole or in part, or may modify the sentence proposed to be pronounced, or may reverse the decision, and remand the case to the Court below for a new trial or further proceedings. In all other cases, as well as upon a default of the appellant, the verdict and decision shall be affirmed.

SEC. 5. The decision of the Court shall be indorsed upon or annexed to the appeal; and the same, together with all the papers made use of upon the hearing, shall be transmitted to the Bishop. If the decision be an absolute reversal of the finding of the Court below, the accused shall be discharged. If the decision shall award a new trial, or direct further proceedings in the Court below, the Bishop shall convene such Court, for such new trial or further proceedings, by giving not less than twenty days' notice to the members thereof, and of the time and place of meeting, and shall also give like notice of the time and place of meeting to the accused and one of the presenters, or to one of their respective advocates or proctors, who appeared for them respectively in the Appellate Court; and the new trial or further proceedings shall be had accordingly. In all other cases, the Bishop shall proceed to final decision and judgment, not exceeding in severity the finding of the Court.

SEC. 6. The Bishop, after pronouncing the final decision and sentence in the case, shall transmit all the papers, with a minute of such decision and sentence, to the Secretary of the Standing Committee; whose duty it shall be to record an abstract of the proceedings and the final sentence at length, in a book kept for that purpose.

The Convention continued the discussion of the Report of the Committee on Revision of Constitution and Canons, the result of which was the approval of the following as the amended Constitution of the Diocese of Illinois:

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

TITLE AND BOUNDS OF THE DIOCESE.

This Church shall be known and distinguished as the "DIOCESE OF ILLINOIS;" and its bounds shall be those of the State.

ARTICLE II.

ACCEDING TO GENERAL CONSTITUTION.

The Church in the Diocese of Illinois accedes to the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America; and recognizes the authority of the General Convention of the same.

ARTICLE III.

ANNUAL CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese, to be holden on the first Tuesday after second Monday of September, annually, in the Cathedral Church, Chicago, unless a different place be fixed by a preceding Convention.

SEC. 2. In case of the prevalence of an epidemic disease, the Bishop (or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee) shall have power to change the time, or place, or both, of said meeting, at his discretion.

SEC. 3. The mode of giving notice of the meeting of any Convention shall be by a circular addressed to every Clergyman and every Vestry in the Diocese, one month before the time appointed.

ARTICLE IV.

SPECIAL CONVENTIONS.

The Bishop shall have power to call a special Convention. If the Episcopate be vacant, or if the Bishop be incapacitated from acting, the same may be done by the Standing Committee. The time and place shall be designated by the Ecclesiastical Authority calling it. Every Clergyman entitled to a seat, and every Parish in union with this Convention, shall be notified by a circular letter, at least four weeks previous to the time appointed; which letter shall specify the purpose for which said Special Convention is called, and no business shall be transacted at any such meeting other than is stated in the notice.

ARTICLE V.

MEMBERS OF CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. The Convention shall be composed of Clergy and Laity.

SEC. 2. Every Clergyman canonically connected with this Diocese, who shall be regularly admitted, and settled in some Church within this Diocese, which is in union with this Convention, or employed as Missionary within its bounds under the direction of the Convention, or of the Bishop of the Diocese, or engaged as President, Professor or Instructor in any College, Incorporated Academy, or General Seminary of Learning within the State, or a Chaplain in the Navy or Army of the United States, or in any Public Institution of the State, shall be entitled to a seat in this Convention: Provided also, that no Clergyman, otherwise entitled to a seat and vote in this Convention, if disabled by age or infirmities from performing the stated functions of the clerical office, shall be divested of such privilege.

SEC. 3. The Lay members shall consist of a delegate or delegates, not exceeding five, from each congregation in the Diocese in union with this Convention. They shall be chosen by the Vestry or Congregation; shall be Communicants and Stated Worshipers in the Parish they represent; and be entitled to vote for Wardens and Vestrymen of the same: Provided always, that no person under ecclesiastical censure or process, whether Clergyman or Layman, shall be allowed a seat in the Convention.

SEC. 4. It is also hereby declared to be the duty of every Clergyman entitled to a seat to attend the meetings of the Convention, and of every Church in union to send one or more delegates. Each Church is required to make suitable provision, by contribution or otherwise, for the expenses of the Minister in fulfilling the above required duty.

ARTICLE VI.

OPENING OF CONVENTION.

Every Convention shall be opened with the celebration of Divine Service, and the administration of the Holy Communion, and a sermon;

and the preacher shall be appointed by the Bishop, unless the Bishop shall himself preach or deliver a charge.

ARTICLE VII.

PRESIDENT OF CONVENTION.

The Bishop presides as Bishop in the Convention, being entitled to every privilege of membership in the body. In the absence of the Bishop, the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, shall preside with like powers. If there be no Bishop, or in case of his absence, and that of the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, a President *pro tem.* shall be elected from among the Presbyters of the Convention.

ARTICLE VIII.

SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

At each annual Convention, a Secretary shall be elected from among the members thereof, who shall continue in office until a successor be appointed. His duty shall be to take minutes of the proceedings, and, when approved, to enter them in a proper book; to preserve the journals and records; to attest the public acts of the body; and faithfully to deliver to his successor all books and papers relating to the concerns of the Convention, which may be in his possession. He shall also give due notice to each minister and vestry of the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding Convention. An Assistant Secretary may also be appointed by the Secretary, with the approval of the Convention. Whenever there shall be a vacancy in the office of Secretary of the Convention, the duties thereof shall devolve upon the Assistant Secretary, if there be one, if not, upon the Secretary of the Standing Committee.

ARTICLE IX.

TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. At each stated Convention, there shall be elected a Treasurer of the Convention, who shall remain in office until a successor be appointed. It shall be his duty to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. He shall render his account annually to the Convention, which shall be audited by a Committee acting under its authority. And the Treasurer, *ex officio*, shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of membership, when not a delegate, except that of voting.

SEC. 2. In case the Treasurer die, remove from the Diocese, or is incapable of acting, the Standing Committee shall have power to appoint a Treasurer to act until the next succeeding Convention, who is authorized to receive all moneys, bonds, mortgages, notes, or other property and papers that may be in the treasury at the time of such decease, resignation, removal or incapacity.

ARTICLE X.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

SECTION 1. The Convention shall elect annually, by the concurrent votes of both orders, a Standing Committee, to consist of three presbyters and three laymen, who shall continue in office until their successors be elected; and when there is no Bishop, or he be incapable of acting, said Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, as in the Canons of the General Convention.

SEC. 2. The said presbyters must be those entitled to seats in the Convention of the Diocese; and the lay members of the Committee must be communicants of the Diocese of Illinois.

SEC. 3. The Committee at their first meeting, shall choose a President from among the clerical members, and a Secretary either clerical or lay. The Secretary shall record their proceedings in a book provided for this purpose: which book and all papers in their hands, relative to the Church, shall be subject to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention, and a full report of their acts shall be made at each annual meeting of the Convention. Any four of the members (the whole having been summoned) shall be a quorum; except for such purposes as, agreeably to their own rules, may require a larger number. They may make rules of meeting and business, and alter and repeal them from time to time. Vacancies in said Committee, occurring by death or otherwise, shall be supplied by the concurrent vote of the clerical and lay members of the Committee.

SEC. 4. The Standing Committee shall be a council of advice to the Bishop. They shall be summoned on the requisition of the Bishop, whenever he shall wish for their advice. And they may meet of their own accord, and agreeable to their own rules, when they may be disposed to advise the Bishop.

SEC. 5. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the powers and duties to be performed by the Bishop in matters of discipline, shall be performed by the Standing Committee, except in those cases where such powers and duties are, or may be, specially delegated to, or enjoined upon, the clerical members of said Committee; in which case, such powers and duties shall be exercised by said clerical members alone: Provided, that no sentence shall be pronounced upon a Clergyman but by a Bishop; and that where there is occasion for it, some neighboring Bishop shall be invited to perform the office.

ARTICLE XI.

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

At every annual Convention, four Clerical and four Lay Deputies shall be elected to represent this Diocese in the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. The Clerical Deputies shall be presbyters, canonically connected with

the Diocese; and the Lay Deputies shall be communicants in the Diocese of Illinois. In case of a failure or neglect of the Convention to elect Deputies, those already in office shall continue until successors are chosen. At the stated meeting of the Convention next preceding each triennial meeting of the General Convention, there shall, also, be chosen by ballot in the same manner, and with the same qualifications as the other Deputies, four Clergymen and four Laymen as Provisional Deputies, from whom the Bishop shall designate one or more, as the case may be, to supply any deficiency in the representation of the Diocese, which may in any way occur. And the person or persons so designated by the Bishop, being furnished with his certificate thereof, shall have all the power and authority of Deputies duly elected by the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or inability in the Bishop to act, this designation shall be exercised by the Standing Committee.

ARTICLE XII.

TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS.

SECTION 1. Fifteen of the clergy entitled to seats in Convention, and lay delegates from ten of the Parishes entitled to representation, at any time duly assembled, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, except that a smaller number may adjourn from time to time.

SEC. 2. In all matters which shall come before the Convention, the clergy and laity shall deliberate in one body; and in voting, the clergy shall vote by individuals and the laity by congregations, the delegation from each church being entitled to one vote and no more, and a majority of votes of the two Orders jointly shall be decisive. On the call of any five entitled to vote, Clergymen or Parishes, the two Orders shall vote separately, and a concurrence of a majority of each Order shall be necessary to constitute a decision.

ARTICLE XIII.

ADMISSION OF NEW PARISHES.

New Parishes may be admitted into union with this Convention, on motion, by a majority of votes, provided they shall have laid before the Convention, through its Secretary, at least one month before the annual meeting of the same, a certificate from the Bishop of the Diocese, or in the event of there being no Bishop, from the Standing Committee, that he or they approve of the organization of such Parish; also a Constitution, subscribed by the wardens, in which they expressly accede to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrines, Discipline and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and to the Constitution and Canons of the Church in the Diocese of Illinois; also evidence satisfactory that they are duly incorporated and regularly organized, by the election of two wardens and not less than four vestry-

men nor more than eight; and that the Parish embraces at least six communicants. These facts shall be duly certified by the minister under whose direction the Parish was organized, and by the wardens of the same.

ARTICLE XIV.

FORFEITURE OF PRIVILEGES.

Any Parish may be suspended from the right of representation in the Convention, or its connection with the Diocese wholly dissolved, by a vote of two-thirds of each Order whenever the same shall be deemed necessary; and whenever, in the opinion of the Bishop, any Parish shall be liable to such forfeiture of privilege, or be essentially defunct, he shall signify the same to the Convention, who may proceed forthwith and suspend or dissolve the said Parish as the case may require.

ARTICLE XV.

ELECTION OF A BISHOP.

SECTION 1. The election of a Bishop for this Diocese shall be made only in an annual Convention, or in a special Convention called for the purpose, at least sixty days before the time appointed; the object being stated by notice in writing, and sent by the Secretary of the Standing Committee to every clergyman and vestry of the Diocese.

SEC. 2. The election shall be made in the following manner: The Order of the clergy shall nominate by ballot some fit and qualified clergyman for that Office; and if this nomination be approved by the lay Order voting thereon by ballot, he shall be declared duly elected. If two-thirds of all the clergy, entitled to vote, be present, and two-thirds of all the parishes, entitled to vote, be represented, then a majority of each Order shall determine a choice. Should there not be two-thirds of the clergy and congregations present, then two-thirds of the votes of each Order shall be necessary to determine a choice: Provided, that in all cases of the election of a Bishop, no clergyman shall be entitled to vote (Art. V. notwithstanding), unless he shall have been for at least six months immediately preceding the election, personally and canonically resident in this Diocese, and during that time entitled to a seat in the Convention of the same.

ARTICLE XVI.

OFFICERS.

The election of all Officers provided for in this Constitution shall be by ballot, unless the same be unanimously dispensed with by the Convention; and in the event of a failure or neglect to elect at any Convention, the person or persons already in office shall hold over until successors are regularly appointed.

ARTICLE XVII.

ASSESSMENTS.

This Convention shall have power to raise money by tax or assessment on the churches in union with it, by canon or by special vote, for the necessary and proper expenses of the Diocese represented by them, viz.: for defraying the incidental expenses of the Convention; for the charges of the General Convention; for the support of the Episcopate; for ecclesiastical trials and discipline; or any other demands which from time to time the Convention may approve and direct. The Convention shall also have the right to impose such penalty as they may see fit for the neglect to pay such assessments when imposed.

ARTICLE XVIII.

No Clergyman shall resort to a civil court or tribunal for the purpose of arresting, impeding or avoiding any ecclesiastical proceedings against him. The penalty, for any violation of this article, shall be suspension *ipso facto*, from the functions of the Ministry.

ARTICLE XIX.

ALTERATIONS OF THIS CONSTITUTION.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: A proposition for amendment shall be introduced in writing and considered in the annual Convention; and, if approved of, shall lie over to the next annual Convention; and if again approved of in that Convention by a majority of the two Orders, voting separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution so altered shall be valid and obligatory.

ARTICLE XX.

All previous Constitutions of this Convention are hereby annulled and repealed.

The proposed amendment to the Constitution, Article XVIII, was voted on by Orders.

The following Clergymen voted in the affirmative:

The Right Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D.; The Rev. Messrs. Allen, Arvedson, Chambers, M. Chase, S. Chase, D. D., Coan, Coe, Coleman, Corbett, Cushman, D. D., Dorset, Downing, Dresser, Duffield, Eddy, Estabrook, Glass, Gregg, Gilbert, Goodhue, Guillemont, Heister, Holcomb, Knowles, Leffingwell, W. I. Magill, Osborne, Portmess, Ryall, Snyder, Steel, Street, Sweet, Thayer, Townsend, Williams; in all, thirty-seven.

The following Clergymen voted in the negative:

The Rev. Messrs. Barrow, Bugbee, Jackson, Kelley, D. D., M. Magill, Morgan, Morrison, D. D., Nash, Phillips, Powers, D. D., Rylance, D. D., Sullivan, Thompson; in all, thirteen.

The following Parishes voted in the affirmative:

St. John's, Algonquin; Trinity, Belvidere; Ascension, Chicago; Atonement, Chicago; Calvary, Chicago; Grace, Chicago; Our Saviour, Chicago; St. Ansgarius', Chicago; Trinity, Chicago; St. Luke's, Dixon; St. James', Dundee; Redeemer, Elgin; St. Mark's, Evanston; Calvary, Farmington; Christ, Fulton; Grace, Galena; Christ, Harlem; St. James', Lewistown; St. John's, Naperville; St. John's, Peoria; Redeemer, Princeton; St. John's, Quincy; Christ, Robin's Nest; Christ, Waukegan; in all, twenty-five.

The following Parishes voted in the negative:

Trinity, Aurora; Epiphany, Chicago; St. James', Chicago; St. John's, Chicago; St. Mark's, Chicago; St. Paul's, Kankakee; St. Paul's, Peoria; in all, seven.

The Board of Missions presented and read the following Report, which, on motion, was made the Order of the Day at 7½ o'clock.

REPORT OF BOARD OF MISSIONS.

TO THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF ILLINOIS:

The Board would respectfully report that during the year it has held six sessions, at five of which the BISHOP was present and presided.

Seventeen Missionaries have been nominated by the BISHOP and the nomination confirmed by the Board. Fifteen of them have signified their acceptance. The aggregate yearly stipend of those accepting is \$4,000.

At a meeting held December 13, 1869, certain rules were adopted for the government of the Board in dispensing stipends during the year, stipulating,

First.—That we were not to be held responsible for any appropriations beyond the amount placed in our hands by means of Missionary Collections.

Second.—Requiring that there should be no dissolution of the connection between the Missionary and his charge during the year, without the consent of the BISHOP.

Third.—That the canonical provisions for quarterly collections be duly complied with on the part of the Missionaries.

Fourth.—For quarterly reports of services, absence, etc.

It is believed that a copy of these rules was sent to every Missionary appointed, and it would be safe to say that not to exceed three of

the fifteen who have accepted, have complied with these rules with reasonable exactness in regard to reports. Five have not reported at all; four only once, and three only twice. From this it necessarily results that the Board cannot state, with accuracy, what has been done by those in the field.

The amount of collections for Diocesan Missions during the year, thus far reported, is \$2,600, only 65 per cent. of the amount of stipends named. The amount reported to the Convention of 1868, was over \$7,000; to that of 1869, about \$4,000. At this rate of decrease, in two years the Missionary work in this Diocese must cease for want of funds to pay stipends, and with the present appearance, the Convention may well anticipate that result.

So far, two facts appear prominently:

First.—The neglect of the Missionaries to govern themselves by the rules laid down by the Board.

Second.—The small amount of funds contributed by the Diocese.

It is believed that the one indicates the direction in which we must look for an explanation of the other.

The meagre support of the Missionaries largely depends upon the quarterly collections, which, in the main, are under the control of the Parochial Clergy. We have reason to believe that the Clergy are blind to the fact of their personal responsibility, and neglect to exert their influence in securing generous contributions to this God given work.

The Laity are best approached and most effectually moved by the Clergy, and it is to their efforts that we must look for such results as will furnish the means to carry on the work, which we doubt not is near the heart of every true Christian.

The Board of Missions are by no means responsible for the extremely small amount raised for Missions during the past year.

The members composing this Board are simply your almoners, and can only distribute what the Church contributes. This we have done to the uttermost farthing.

It must not be overlooked that the Rural Deans, by their reports, give evidence that the system inaugurated two years since, has by no means been a failure, but, on the contrary, is full of promise.

The members composing this Board take the present occasion to urge upon the Clergy and Laity the need of more strenuous exertions in the work of Missions. All of which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE, D. D., Bishop,
SAMUEL CHASE, D. D.,
A. W. SNYDER,
SIDNEY CORBETT,
E. SULLIVAN,
J. H. RYLANCE,
EDWIN COAN,
I. L. TOWNSEND,
F. N. MORRISON.

The Committee on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, presented and read a proposed Canon, as found on pp. 51-52, Journal of last Convention. It was, on motion, recommitted.

On motion, the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons was continued, and directed to print the Constitution and Canons as proposed, previous to the next Convention.

On motion, the "Rules of Order" were referred to the same Committee.

A petition, praying for the creation of new Dioceses within the present jurisdiction of Illinois was presented, and, on motion, was referred to the Committee on that portion of the Bishop's Address relating to the same subject.

The following Resolutions were presented, and, on motion, were laid on the table:

Resolved, That the system under which the Missions of this Diocese are administered, is defective and insufficient.

Resolved, That a Committee of four, consisting of two Clergymen and two Laymen, be named by the Convention, whose duty it shall be to consider the whole matter of the Missionary System of the Diocese, and report upon the same at the next annual Convention.

On motion, the Convention took a recess until 8 o'clock P. M.

The hour having arrived for the resumption of business, the BISHOP called the Convention to order.

Diocesan Missions having been made, by previous motion, the Order of the Day for that evening, on motion, the rule of five minute speeches was suspended for the sake of fuller discussion.

The following Resolution was presented, read, and, on motion, adopted:

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocese be hereby directed to divert the balance remaining in the Diocesan Fund at the close of the Convention, towards the *pro rata* payment of the balance of the stipulated salaries of the Missionaries, now remaining unpaid for the past year.

On motion, the following was adopted:

Resolved, That the Clergy of the Diocese, both Rectors in charge of Parishes, and the Missionaries, be requested to present the subject of Diocesan Missions to their Congregations at the time the Quarterly Collections are required to be taken.

The following Resolution was presented, read, and adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Missions be requested not to adopt the *pro rata* arrangement in the payment of the Missionaries.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet again Friday, at 9 o'clock A. M.

FOURTH DAY.

THE CATHEDRAL, CHICAGO,
Friday, Sept. 16, A. D., 1870.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment, at 9 o'clock A. M.

Morning Prayer and Litany were said by the Rev. EDWIN COAN, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Cairo, and Rural Dean of the Southern Deanry. The Lessons were read by the Rev. W. W. ESTABROOK, Rector of Christ Church, Ottawa.

The Convention was called to order by the BISHOP.

After the calling of the roll, a quorum being present, on motion, the reading of the minutes was dispensed with, and the same committed to the Right Reverend the Bishop and the Secretary.

The Committee on the Creation of New Dioceses within the present jurisdiction of Illinois, presented and read the following

REPORT.

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the creation of new Dioceses and the increase of the Episcopate, beg leave, after deliberation, to report the following resolutions, and recommend their adoption by the Convention:

Resolved, That two new Dioceses be created within the limits of the Diocese of Illinois, to be bounded substantially as indicated by the Bishop in his Address.

Resolved, That the Committee be empowered to take such necessary steps as will bring the whole matter before the next annual Convention for final action, preliminary to that of the next General Convention.

SAMUEL CHASE,

Chairman of Committee.

On motion, the resolutions appended to the foregoing Report, were unanimously adopted.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary cause to be printed one thousand copies of the Journal and Bishop's Address, and send two copies to each of the members of the Convention, and one copy to every ten Communicants in each Parish, and the usual copies to the Bishops, Secretaries of the Convention, and periodicals of the Church; and that he cause to be printed five hundred extra copies of the Bishop's Address in separate pamphlet form; and that every Clergyman in the Diocese be requested to read the same in his pulpit; that the Secretary seek proposals from various printing offices for the printing of the Journal and Bishop's Address, and select from the same at his discretion; and also, that a map of the present Diocese be inserted, showing the bounds of the proposed new Sees.

On motion, the following Resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention of this Diocese be held in the Cathedral, Chicago.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That thirty dollars be appropriated to the Sexton of the Cathedral, for his faithful services to the Convention.

The Committee on that part of the Bishop's Address relating to the Revision of the Authorized Version of the Sacred Scriptures, presented and read the following:

REPORT.

The Committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address which discusses the subject of Biblical Revision, beg leave to report:

That they concur most unanimously in the opinions expressed by the Bishop, as to the inexpediency of the Revision of the Authorized Version of the Bible, now being made by the Convocation of Canterbury, and believe that the aspects in which he has presented the subject are sufficiently clear and decisive to secure such action on the part of this Convention as, in conjunction with the respectful remonstrance of other portions of the Anglican Communion, will induce a more matured deliberation by those who have initiated the movement, before they commit themselves irrevocably to the grave issues certain to follow upon its completion.

The grounds of objection resolve themselves mainly into three:

First.—The marked, we will not say studied, exclusiveness of the movement. No official communication has been held with the Episcopal or other eminent Theological and Literary Authorities of any of the sister branches of the Church of Great Britain. Here we find just and reasonable ground of complaint. The Convocation of Canterbury, notwithstanding the acknowledged learning and ability of the divines who compose it, is not co-extensive or synonymous with the Anglican Communion, and therefore, where the consequences involved reach so far in their deep underlying ramifications, and affect so seriously the tenderest and most hallowed associations of both the social and the religious life of English-speaking christendom, we cannot pass over, unnoticed and without protest, this injudicious and certainly unexpected ignoring of that broad domain of added territory, deep piety and varied learning which has been given to the church by her Divine Head, since the appearance of our present Authorized Version.

Second.—The more than questionable orthodoxy of some of the members composing the Commission on Revision. We would not willingly confine within narrower limits than is consistent with a true, large-hearted charity, the latitude justly and necessarily allowable on all open and well controverted points of religious opinion; but we dare not stretch our liberality so far as to accord to a body of men separated from the entire Church Catholic, by their denial of a fundamental tenet of the faith, the right will, in the person of their most eminent representatives, to co-operate in the revision of that Inspired Volume, where the body of truth, which is committed to the keeping of the Church, finds its ultimate source, and every page of which sparkles with the presence of that tenet, as of a glittering golden thread.

Third.—The scantiness, as well as uncertainty, of the expected or attainable result. Will a Bible thus revised, by the sole and exclusive authority of the Convocation of Canterbury, be received as a duly Authorized Version beyond the narrow limits within which that Con-

vocation exercises jurisdiction? If not, will not the existence of two Versions, each only partially recognized, furnish an endless source of mistake and confusion? Granting the possibility of obviating this difficulty, how much of actual benefit will accrue from the publication of a new and amended Version? A few controverted passages will be rendered more accurately. The sacred text will be purified from acknowledged interpolations; but will any one doctrine of the faith, now universally received, obtain stronger enforcement or clearer elucidation? Nay, more, will not the introduction of this modern Version into our homes and churches communicate such a shock to the religious sympathies and associations of tens of thousands of devout and susceptible minds, as will more than counterbalance even the largest measure of anticipated advantages, by shaking existing confidence, and begetting in its stead inevitable distrust and pexplexity?

Moved by these considerations, therefore, your Committee would recommend, for the adoption of Convention, the following Resolution:

Resolved, That in view of the marked exclusiveness of the movement, the more than questionable orthodoxy of some whose co-operation has been formally invited, and the scantiness and uncertainty of the expected benefit, the Revision of the Bible, now being made by the Convocation of Canterbury, is, in the judgment of this Convention, unwise and inexpedient.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. SULLIVAN,
A. S. TYNG,
H. C. RANNEY,
SAMUEL CHASE,
GEO. F. CUSHMAN,

On motion, the Resolution submitted by the Committee was adopted.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing Report and Resolution, as appended, be placed in the hands of the Bishop, to be used in such manner as shall, in his judgment, best subserve the interests of the Church.

The following Resolutions were presented, read, and, on motion, adopted:

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Rectors of Parishes to enforce the observance of the 1st Section of Canon 12, Title 11, of the Digest.

Resolved, That the foregoing Resolution, together with the Section of the Canon referred to, be printed upon the cover of the Journal. "Title 11, Canon 12, Section 1: A Communicant, removing from one Parish to another, shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate, stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing: and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removed shall not be required to receive him or her as a Communicant, until such letter be produced."

The following Resolution was presented, read, and adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due, and are hereby tendered the Rev. Canon Knowles and the Cathedral Choir for the excellent music rendered during the session of this Convention.

On motion, the ballot was unanimously dispensed with for the purpose of electing the following as Standing Committee of the Diocese:

The Rev. Edward Sullivan, A. M.,	Mr. H. C. Ranney,
The Rev. J. H. Rylance, D. D.,	Mr. A. C. Calkins,
The Rev. C. P. Dorset,	Mr. Geo. R. Chittenden.

The Convention next proceeded to ballot for Deputies to the General Convention.

Mr. Samuel Wilkinson was appointed Teller on the Clerical Vote, in place of Mr. Hatheway, not then present.

The Rev. Brockholst Morgan was appointed Teller on the Lay Vote, in place of Rev. D. W. Dresser, absent.

Pending the counting of the ballot, on motion, the House took a recess of half an hour.

The hour having arrived for the resumption of business, the House was called to order by the BISHOP.

Pending the ballot, it was, on motion,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Church families in this city for their kind hospitalities.

On motion, the following was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the C., B. & Q. R. R.; the C., A. & St. L. R. R.; the C. & N. W. R. W., and the C., R. I. & P. R. R., in consideration of the commutation of fare made to the Lay Delegates.

The Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address relating to Obituary, presented and read the following

REPORT AND RESOLUTIONS.

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the decease of His Grace, Archbishop Henry Reuterdahl, of Upsal; the Rt. Rev. Carlton Chase, D. D., Bishop of New Hampshire; the Rt. Rev. Jackson Kemper, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of Wisconsin, and the Rev. Asa Griswold, Presbyter of this Diocese, respectfully report the following minutes:

Resolved, That we desire to place on record our hearty concurrence with the Bishop's graceful tribute to these honored servants of God, who, having finished their course, do now rest from their labors; that we note with gratitude their prolonged and distinguished usefulness, and tender our condolence to the portions of the Church, and to the families bereft by their removal.

Resolved, That we are gratified at the allusion by the Bishop to the relations between the Swedish Church and our own, as well as with his kindly appreciation of its late honored and distinguished head; and we beg to express the hope that the great loss to that portion of the Church of Christ may be speedily compensated by a worthy successor.

Resolved, That we desire especially to record our high appreciation of the arduous labors and great services of the late venerable Bishop of Wisconsin—the Apostle of the West—and to declare our veneration for his character in every relation which he held to the Church, and our grief at the loss of one whom the whole Church delighted to honor.

STEPHEN T. ALLEN,
J. BREDBERG,
J. M. SCHONBECK.

The Resolutions were unanimously adopted, the Convention rising to give the vote.

On motion, that portion of the Bishop's Address relating to Social Recreation, was referred to a Committee, to report at next Convention. Said Committee was appointed as follows:

The Rev. E. Sullivan, A. M.,
The Rev. C. P. Dorset,
The Rev. F. M. Gregg,

Mr. M. W. Fuller,
Mr. H. C. Ranney.

The Inspectors of Election for Deputies to the General Convention then reported the following as having received a majority of the votes of both Orders, and they were therefore declared elected:

The Rev. E. Sullivan, D. D.,
The Rev. J. H. Rylance, D. D.,
The Rev. Clinton Locke, D. D.,

Mr. George P. Lee,
Mr. L. B. Otis,
Mr. S. H. Treat.

One Clerical and one Lay Deputy remaining yet to be chosen, an ineffectual motion was made to suspend the ballot for the purpose of electing the Rev. S. Chase, D. D., and Mr. S. C. Judd.

The ballot again being had, it was found that the following had received a majority of the votes of both Orders, and were declared duly elected:

The Rev. S. Chase, D. D.,

Mr. S. C. Judd.

The following Resolution was presented, read, and adopted:

Resolved, That the Convention of the Diocese of Illinois is in favor of changing the names of the General and Diocesan Conventions to those of General and Diocesan Councils, and that the Deputies of this Diocese to the General Convention are hereby instructed to use their influence and cast their votes in that body accordingly.

On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, for the purpose of electing Trustees of the Diocese. The following were, on motion, proposed and duly elected:

The Rev. C. A. Gilbert,

Mr. George R. Chittenden,

The Rev. J. H. Rylance, D. D.,

Mr. A. C. Calkins,

Mr. C. T. Bowen.

The BISHOP announced to the Convention that he had appointed the Rev. I. L. Townsend, Rector of Trinity Church, Jacksonville, Rural Dean of the Middle Deanry, and the Rev. Edwin Coan, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Cairo, Rural Dean of the Southern Deanry.

On motion, both appointments were confirmed by Convention.

On motion, the Committee on the Support of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen was continued, to report at next Convention.

On motion, the following Resolution was referred to that Committee:

WHEREAS, The subject of Clerical Life Insurance has engaged the attention of the Church; and,

WHEREAS, The Clergymen's Mutual Life Insurance League presents a simple, safe and economical instrumentality for the attainment of that object; therefore,

Resolved, That this Convention commend the said Clergymen's Mutual Life Insurance League to the favorable consideration of the Clergy and Laity, and suggest that they avail themselves of the advantages it affords.

The Convention next proceeded to ballot for members of the Board of Missions, which resulted in the election of the following:

The Rev. E. Sullivan, A. M.,
The Rev. Clinton Locke, D. D.,
The Rev. C. P. Dorset,

Mr. Ambrose Spenser,
Mr. Samuel Gehr,
Mr. C. R. Larrabee.

The following Resolution was presented, read, and, on motion, unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, The life-growth of the Church largely depends upon the manner of success that may attend her Missionary operations; therefore

Resolved, That this House deeply realizes the responsibility resting upon the Church in this Diocese cordially to sustain the Missionary Board in whatever measures they may, in their judgment, think best to inaugurate, for the more effectual fulfillment of the charge committed to the Church by her Lord as His representative and mystical body in the world, to preach the "Gospel to the poor."

The following Resolution was presented, read and unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this house are hereby tendered to the Bishop, for the able discharge of his duties, as such, and that we go hence, returning from this reunion, to our several stations, reassured and strengthened in our zeal for the Church and confidence in our Bishop, by his cogent, learned and fearless exposition, at this interesting session, of the great principles of law and order.

On motion, the minutes were committed to the Right Reverend the Bishop and Secretary, to be duly made up for publication.

On motion, it was then

Resolved, That, after the usual exercises, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The Bishop then made a closing Address, the *Gloria in Excelsis* was sung by the Convention, and after prayers and Episcopal Benediction, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

HENRY JOHN WHITEHOUSE,

Bishop of the Diocese of Illinois.

JOHN HARRIS KNOWLES,

Secretary of Convention.

APPENDIX I.

The Treasurer presented and read his Report, as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer, in submitting his Annual Report for the Conventional Year, 1869-70, is again compelled to forego the Tabular Statement, (heretofore with one exception, forming a portion of the same), on account of the delay on the part of Parish Officers in making their returns. For this cause, again the Report must be meagre in its character.

THE RECEIPTS for the year now closed have amounted to \$10,221.77, and are from the following sources:

DIOCESAN FUND.

Assessment, 1867-8.....	\$	74	28	
“ 1868-9.....		1,978	42	
“ 1869-70		2,654	46	\$4,707 16

BONDED DEBT FUND.

In Cash.....	\$1,975	36	
“ to apply on Notes.....		13	50
		<u>1,988</u>	86
“ Bills Receivable.....	\$620	09	
Less paid on same.....	13	20	606 59
		<u>13 20</u>	\$2,595 45

MISSIONARY FUND.

Voluntary Contributions.....	\$2,608	41	
Designated “	123	42	\$2,731 83
			<u>\$10,034 44</u>
Add balance brought forward from last year, from Missionary Fund.....	\$194	38	
Less bal.; same time against Diocesan Fund.	7	05	187 33
		<u>7 05</u>	
And the sum of.....			\$10,221 77
represents the total amount of funds in hand during the year.			

THE EXPENDITURES have been as follows:

Episcopal Salary.....	\$2,909 49	
Secretary's " in full.....	150 00	
Ass't Treasurer's Salary, in full....	125 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,184 49
Missionary Stipends.....		2,894 21
Bonded Debt, Principal.....	\$1,975 36	
" Interest	212 92	
	<hr/>	\$2,188 28
Contingent Expenses.....		1,343 39
Designated Contributions.....		236 42
	<hr/>	\$10,121 84
Total Payments.....		9,846 79

And leaving a nominal balance of..... \$374 98

But, as a part of the amount received is in Notes, not yet matured, being \$606.59, the result shows an overpayment by the Treasurer of \$231.61.

The Statement, divided up into the different Funds, shows as follows:

Am't received for Diocesan Fund,		\$4,707 16
10 per cent. transferred to Contin-		
gent Fund, as provided by Canon.	\$ 470 72	
Further transfer to paid current ex-		
penses.....	1,400 14	
	<hr/>	\$1,870 86
Amount overpayment on this ac-		
count last year.....		7 05
Am't paid on Episcopal Salary....		2,909 49
Amount overpaying the account		<hr/>
by.....	\$80 14	\$4,787 40
Amount received for Missionary Fund.....	\$2,731 83	
Balance from old account.....	194 38	
	<hr/>	\$2,926 21
Paid Designated Contributions.....	\$ 236 42	
Various Missionaries, on acc't their Stipends,	2,894 21	
	<hr/>	\$3,130 63
And overpaying the account.....	\$204 42	

Amount received for BONDED DEBT FUND:

In Cash on account that indebtedness.....	\$1,975 36	
In Cash on account of Notes given for same.	13 50	
	<hr/>	\$1,988 86
In Bills Receivable given for same account,		
\$620.09; less paid, 13.50.....	606 59	
	<hr/>	\$2,595 45

Paid on account Principal of Debt.....	\$1,975 36	
Notes on hand, not matured.....	606 59	
Balance of account.....	13 50	
	<hr/>	\$2,595 15
Amount received for Contingent Fund, by absorption from Diocesan Fund.....		1,595 86
Paid various Contingent Expenses.....	\$1,243 63	
Paid 3 years' Sinking Fund, not heretofore charged off....	312 78	
	<hr/>	1,556 41
And leaving balance of.....		\$39 45

The balances standing to the debit or credit of each of these different funds is caused by want of care in closing them, that in turn caused by want of time, from the dilatory action of the Parishes. The balance should all have been thrown into one account. Greater minuteness will be found in a detailed cash statement, accompanying and forming a part of this Report.

From the foregoing general statement it will be seen that all of the different funds fall short of meeting the payments laid upon them, and we have again arrived at the time when debts are beginning to accrue upon the obligatory as well as upon the voluntary funds.

These facts show in this wise:

DIOCESAN FUND.

Episcopal Salary.....	\$5,000 00
Amount paid on same.....	2,909 49
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Still due.....	\$2,090 51
Or about 60 per cent. of the amount paid.	

MISSIONARY FUND.

Stipends granted to fifteen Missionaries at the aggregate rate of \$4,000 per annum; but practically, owing to the fractions of the year in some of them, the aggregate Stipends amount to.....	\$3,918 75
Amount paid on same.....	2,894 21
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Still due.....	\$1,024 54
averaging about 72 per cent. paid; though to those serving the full year the real payment is 71 per cent.	
Bonded Debt stated last year at.....	\$3,665 42
Amount paid on same.....	1,975 36
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Still due.....\$1,690 06
making about 51 per cent. of the amount paid; in addition to which,
however, there are holden \$606 in Notes, to apply as they mature.

The Contingent Fund pays its own indebtedness, because the Treasurer is compelled to appropriate from other funds an amount sufficient for that purpose, in order that contracts and purchases from and with outside parties may be met, so that the necessary work may go on.

It has been a hard year, financially, with most of the Parishes in the Diocese. The Diocesan calls have been heavier upon them than at any time before; but it must be said, that after all allowances made, the officers of the Parishes do not, as a rule, enter into the matter of meeting their Diocesan liabilities with a will. There is, manifestly, a lack of that heartiness and determination which is requisite for success, and that forecasting of their financial business arrangements that is always adjudged necessary in all other business transactions. Indeed, it can hardly be called uncharitable to state that, as a rule, the Wardens and Vestrymen are not, as such, honest and true men. They shirk this financial duty, and throw upon the Clergyman ministering to them the altogether improper duty of raising the funds to pay their Diocesan dues; whereas, by Canon —, as well as by all reason and all sense of Christian duty and courtesy, this matter lies wholly with and upon them, and should never be assumed by the Rector.

The shortage now presenting itself again, for the first time in three years—in the obligatory fund as well as the voluntary—and the consequent result of a large minority lay representation of the Parishes, may well cause the Convention to consider whether entirely new legislation is not immediately required to raise the necessary funds for the minimum of Diocesan work, and also to perpetuate the existence of the Annual Conventions.

There is reason to judge that the plan of raising the additional sum required by assessment, inaugurated at last session, and known as the "Committee on Equalization," meets with considerable dislike; and there seems to prevail a great deal of ignorance as to the necessity for the existence of such a committee and the rule of action adopted by them. Quite persistent attempts, however, have been made, both by the Committee and by the Treasurer, during the year, to thoroughly inform the Parishes as to the reason and mode of action, and the local result to each Parish, and this early in the year, so that, at the annual election of Officers on Easter Monday, the whole matter of Diocesan dues might be taken up and provided for. Results, however, would seem to indicate that only in exceptional cases was this done. The great majority of Parishes have deferred it until the close of the Conventional Year, and either succeeded in paying up by a forced contribution upon their people, or by desponding of success in such an attempt, by doing nothing, and, practically, seceding from the Convention. The whole matter calls for grave consideration, both here in Convention and at home in the Parish.

In the way of expenditure, \$7,500 per annum will abundantly pay the necessary expenses of the Diocese, to which should be added at least as much more for Missionary work. \$15,000 per annum does

not seem a large sum for the Diocesan Church to raise. More than one Parish within her borders spends, annually, as much, or nearly so, to carry on its comparatively contracted operations, and yet esteems it not a waste, but a duty. How then, in our collective capacity, can we dare to offer unto God the niggardly pittance, and that grudgingly and unthankfully, and hope for His acceptance and blessing?

There are a large number of names of Parishes upon the Parochial list which are either wholly unable or unwilling to pay any proportion of Diocesan liabilities. Their retention only helps to swell our reputed number of Parishes and falsify all our financial estimates and results. *Sometime* the question must be met: What is to be the relation of a Parish that wholly omits to sustain its share of the monetary obligations of the Diocese and forfeits its representation and union with the Convention?

There are nominal assets, as follows:

Due on Assessment of 1867-68.....	\$ 447 80
“ “ 1868-69.....	1,078 07
“ “ 1869-70.....	6,878 10
Bonded Debt.....	9,499 49
Making a total of.....	\$17,903 46

What the cash value of this amount may be it is impossible to tell. Fifty per cent. may be considered as, perhaps, a fair valuation; though if any error, probably it is an excessive valuation. To determine it, it first needs that there should be a close examination of the Parochial list, and the removal of many extinct names, and the transfer of quite many others to a Mission Station list, relieved from a taxation which they seldom or ever pay.

The existing debts are:

Balance of Episcopal Salary, 1869-70.....	\$2,090 51
“ Missionary Stipends, “	1,024 54
“ Bonded Debt Fund,	1,690 06
Total amount.....	\$4,805 11

The Convention will thus see that there is standing upon the Treasurer's books balances sufficient to pay all existing indebtedness, with an amount over of some \$13,000. He can do nothing towards settling this large amount or reducing it to a truer expression of values, until the Convention shall first act in the premises. All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. P. LEE, *Diocesan Treasurer.*

GEO. P. LEE, *Diocesan Treasurer, in account with Convention of Diocese of Illinois.*

August 31, 1870.

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To balance from old account:

Missionary Fund.....	\$194	38	
Less balance due from Diocese.....	7	05	—\$ 187 33
To cash received from assessment, 1867-68...		74	28
“ “ “ “ 1868-69...		1,978	42
“ “ “ “ 1869-70...		2,654	46
Bonded Debt Assessment, cash.....		1,975	36
“ Bills Receivable.....		13	50
Voluntary contributions.....		2,608	41
Designated “		123	42
To Bills Receivable, on account Bonded Debt Assessment, not yet due.....		606	59

By Cash, paid as follows:

To Missionaries, on account Stipends, 1868-9, being old balance carried over.....	157	71
To paid Missionary Stipends (in part) of 1869-70	2,736	50
To paid Rt. Rev. H. J. Whitehouse on account Episcopal Salary, 1869-70.....	2,909	49
To paid Rt. Rev. H. J. Whitehouse, on account Bonded Debt, principal.....	1,975	36
To paid Designated Contributions.....	236	42

To paid Contingent Expenses as follows:

Note book.....	\$	1	00
Expressage at Convention.....		1	50
Wm. Cundel, Cathedral Sexton....		20	00
Secretary's bill, postage, stationary, and freight.....		18	48
Secretary's bill, posting Journals....		19	90
Letter paper.....		6	50
Discount on draft.....		25	
American Churchman, advertising..		14	40
Additional assessment, by general convention.....		23	25
Post office stamps and envelopes....		12	00
Receipt book.....		5	00
Circulars to Parishes.....		8	50
Secretary's Salary, in part.....		100	00
Post office stamps and envelopes....		3	20
Post office and revenue stamps.....		6	00

Envelopes.....	2	50	
Post office and revenue stamps	3	50	
Secretary's salary, balance.....	50	00	
Assistant Treasurer's salary.....	125	00	
By paid Rounds & James' bill, printing Journal, 1868-69	889	73	
By paid Rt. Rev. H. J. Whitehouse, int. on Bonded Debt, to Sept. 1, '70	212	92	
By amount Sinking Fund, 1866-67, 1867-68 and 1868-69, not heretofore charged off.....	312	78	\$1,836 41
By Bills Receivable, not yet matured and on hand.....			606 59
To amount to balance, carried down		236 71	
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		\$10,458 48	\$10,458 48
By balance brought over.....			\$236 71

NOTE.—During the sitting of Convention, moneys were paid in, which enabled the Treasurer to pay up in full all current Diocesan indebtedness.

GEO. P. LEE, *Treasurer of Trustees of the Diocese of Illinois, in
Account with the Convention.*

1870.

Dr.

Aug. 31.—To balance from old account..... \$581 35

To cash received from various Parishes for

Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, viz.:

1869.

Nov. 19.—Atonement..... Chicago..... 9 00

Grace Chicago..... 77 00

20.—St. James'..... Chicago..... 77 75

22.—St. James'..... Chicago..... 2 25

Cathedral.. Chicago..... 92 12

St. John's..... Chicago. 20 37

24.—St. Mark's..... Chicago..... 9 80

Christ Church.... Limestone..... 6 55

St. John's..... Peoria..... 11 05

Emmanuel..... Rockford..... 5 28

St. Paul's..... Carlinville..... 7 65

St. John's..... Knoxville..... 7 00

Trinity..... Jacksonville..... 15 18

St. Paul's..... Alton..... 16 50

St. Paul's..... Kankakee 11 20

25.—Trinity..... Aurora..... 2 00

30.—St. James'..... Dundee..... 1 30

Dec. 3.—St. John's..... Naperville..... 7 70

Jan. 1.—Christ Church.... Harlem..... 5 45

St. John's..... Quincy..... 37 55

Christ Church.... Waukegan..... 7 50

St. Paul's..... Springfield..... 39 50

St. John's..... Albion..... 5 00

St. John's..... Chillicothe..... 1 50

Christ Church.... Robins' Nest... 15 00

Calvary Chicago..... 5 65

St. Paul's..... Alton..... 1 00

St. Luke's Dixon..... 7 60

Carrollton and Jerseyville Missions. 5 05

Grace Galesburgh..... 7 10

Epiphany..... Chicago..... 21 50

Trinity..... Polo..... 3 00

Zion..... Freeport..... 13 00

St. Mark's..... Geneva..... 2 64

Feb. 8.—Trinity..... Rock Island... .. 12 00

St. Peter's..... Sycamore..... 5 25

Mar. 16.—St. Paul's..... Carlinville 7 65

June 25.—St. Paul's..... Warsaw 9 85

July 14.—Trinity..... Belvidere 3 50

Aug. 2.—Redeemer..... Princeton..... 3 00

1869.	CR.		
Nov. 20.—By	paid as per recommendation of		
	Bishop and Standing Com., to—		
	Rev. Asa Griswold.....	400	00
	Rev. C. P. Clark.....	100	00
	Rev. Benj. Hutchins.....	100	00
1870.			
July 11.—By	paid additional appropriations,		
	Bishop and Standing Committee:		
	Rev. B. Hutchins.....	300	00
	Rev. Asa Griswold.....	100	00
14.—By	paid premium on exchange.....	15	
	By amt. to balance, carried down..	80	19
		<u>\$1,080</u>	<u>34</u>
Aug. 31.—To	balance on hand.....	\$80	19

APPENDIX II.

PAROCHIAL AND CLERICAL REPORTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTETBER, 1870.

The principal statistics contained in the Reports will be found at one view in the Tabular Statement at the end.

SUMMARY OF THE REPORTS.

Reports from Parishes and Stations.....	102
From Clergymen without cure.....	5
Whole number of Reports.....	107

The comparative inspection of the Table of this year and of the two previous, will give the following results:

	1868.	1869.	1870.
Baptisms—Infants.....	1,072	975	1,270
Adults.....	279	236	230
Total.....	1,351	1,211	1,500
Confirmations.....	813	750	600
Marriages.....	366	369	343
Burials.....	461	508	355
Communicants—Admitted.....	643	610	530
Received.....	513	737	627
Removed....	385	426	571
Died.....	55	68	84
Present number..	5,280	5,815	6,032
Sunday Schools—Teachers.....	880	943	954
Scholars.....	6,674	6,968	8,086
Contributions—Whole amount..	\$111,175.85	\$215,473.11	\$126,519.00

REPORTS.

Algonquin, St. John's. - - *The Rev. Peter Arvedson.*

Church Wardens—James Kee, William Estergren.

Families, 8; Individuals not thus included, 5; Total of Souls, 48.

Baptisms—Infants, 1.

Marriages, 3. Burials, 2.

Communicants—Admitted, 1; Removed, 1.

Present Number, 18.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 50; Other Days, 4; Total, 54.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 28.

Sermons, 60.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Towards paying indebtedness of the Parish..\$68 00

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$4.15; Diocesan Fund, 18.00.

Total..... 22 15

General.—Domestic Missions, \$1.00; Foreign Missions, 1.00.

Total..... 2 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$92 15

RIGHT REVEREND FATHER IN GOD:

We trust there is in this Parish some more signs of life and growth than at the time of the last Annual Report. The coming year, we hope, will develop more earnest and active Parish life. We have suffered some loss by removal; but have reason to anticipate, shortly, some gains in the same way. A more frequent administration of the Holy Communion is a necessity which I am unable to provide for. To this, no doubt, is partly, perhaps mainly, owing to our low state. Besides officiating regularly on Sundays in my three Parishes, as reported, I have officiated at Blevin Mills, a small village in the north-east corner of McHenry County, eight times during the past year, on week-day evenings, and twice at a District School House, two miles east of Richmond, the terminus of the Fox River Valley Railway. All the services have been remarkably well attended, and seem to have done good. The responses in the Service have been free and hearty, and marked attention to the preaching of the Word. Four children and eight adults have been baptized; and, scattered over that section of country are twelve Communicants, who, however, have no opportunity to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, except they go to Wilmot, in Wisconsin, to some eight miles distant. These few sheep, scattered abroad, have shown their appreciation of the Missionaries' labor, among them, by private and public donations, to the amount of \$54.00.

PETER ARVEDSON,

Missionary in Charge.

Alton, St. Paul's. - - *The Rev. C. S. Abbott.*

Church Wardens—J. W. Schweppe, M. M. Dutro.

Families, 64; Individuals not thus included, 21; Total of Souls, 300.
Baptisms—Infants, 21; Adults, 4; Total, 25.

Confirmed, 5. Burials, 10.

Communicants—Admitted, 5; Removed, 16; Died, 2.

Present Number, 100.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 4; Female, 15; Total, 19.

Scholars: Male, 97; Female, 146; Total, 243.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12; Catechumens, 243.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 13; Other Days, 1; Total, 14.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 24; Total, 76.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 49; Other Days, 59; Total, 108.

Sermons, 101. Lectures and other Addresses, 65.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$60.65; Mission Sunday School, 219.51; Sunday School, 107.50; Prayer Books, 16.40; Other objects, exclusive of expenses, about 200.00. Total...\$604 06

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$73.95; Diocesan Fund, 180.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 16.50; Bonded Debt, 32.25.

Total..... 302 70

General.—Domestic Missions, \$29.80; Foreign Missions, 29.99; Home Missions, for Colored People, 16.30. Total..... 76 09

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$982 85

We have received from Messrs. J. J. & W. H. MITCHELL the promise of a lot, which promise will be fulfilled as soon as a deed for the same can be drawn and signed, in the outskirts of the city, for Mission purposes. It is the intention to endeavor to erect a suitable building at once, for which object a portion of the necessary funds are on hand. When this is done I hope to hold an afternoon Service, in addition to my other duties, and doubt not in a short time it will grow into a Parish.

Aurora, Trinity. - - *The Rev. Stephen T. Allen.*

Church Wardens—Charles F. Jauriet, Elbridge G. Wheaton.

Families, 90; Individuals not thus included, 10; Total of Souls, 400.

Baptisms—Infants, 9; Adults, 1; Total, 10.

Confirmed, 12. Marriages, 7. Burials, 9.

Communicants—Admitted, 7; Received, 8; Removed, 19; Died, 2.

Present Number, 56.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 4; Female, 7; Total, 11.

Scholars: Total, 100.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12; Catechumens, 100.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 13; Other Days, 2; Total, 15.
Private, 2.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 4; Total, 56.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 28; Other Days, 20; Total, 48.

Sermons, 60. Lectures and other Addresses, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$50.71; Sunday School, 100.00; Church Building Fund, 6,000.00; Rents, Repairs and Improvements, 225.00; Sundries, 50.00. Total\$6,425 71

Diocesan.—Diocesan Fund, \$108.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 2.00. Total..... 110 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$6,536 71

The Parish has been earnestly engaged in the erection of a new Church, which is enclosed, and is expected to be ready for occupancy before Christmas. It is a cause of regret not to be able to record more done for Missions and other outside work. The fact that there has been so large a draft on us for home improvements, explains, but does not justify the neglect.

The \$6,000 to the Church Building Fund is an approximation. It may greatly exceed that, as the amount is being constantly increased. The new Church is a substantial stone structure—the rallying point of a greatly increased Parochial interest, as we trust it will also be of a growing spirituality and vigor.

Belvidere, Trinity, - - - The Rev. John Portmess.

. Church Wardens—Nijah Hotchkiss, John Bowley.

Families, 36; Individuals not thus included, 11; Total of Souls, 154.
Baptisms—Infants, 20; Adults, 6; Total 26.

Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

Communicants—Admitted, 7; Received, 2; Re-admitted, 7; Dropped for long non-communing, 3; Died, 1. Present Number, 47.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 6; Total, 8.

Scholars: Male, 10; Female, 35; Total, 45.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12; Catechumens, 8.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 12. Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 51; Other Days, 6; Total, 57.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 48; Other Days, 12; Total, 60.

Sermons, 108. Lectures and other Addresses, 9.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$22.31; Contingent Expenses, 169.00; Sunday School, 49.50. Total.....	\$240.81
Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$32.25; Diocesan Fund, 55.16; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 3.50. Total.....	90.91
General.—Domestic Missions, \$10.00; Foreign Missions, 15.00 Total.....	25.00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$345.56

On the 30th of June, of this present year, Trinity Parish completed its first quarter century, having been organized A. D. 1845. In taking a retrospective view, we have much to be thankful for, having been safely brought, by Providential guidance, through dangers seen and unseen; while, on the other hand, we have cause for shame and deep humiliation, in view of what remains undone, of work for Christ and His Holy Church.

For years there appears no record of Church work, but from what does appear, the following is a brief summary: Received in the Congregation of Christ's flock, by baptism, 175; Re-enlisted as crusading soldiers, by confirmation, 96; Burial service read over the remains of God's elect host, 47; Celebrations of Holy Matrimony, 21. This, to be sure, is a meager record; but of the unwritten history, we may safely trust the day of final reckoning will reveal an amount of good done that will gladden the hearts of the faithful for all the labors and self-denials done and suffered here.

The Parish, though still weak, and depending somewhat upon extraneous aid, is in a healthy condition, and affords ground for encouragement, while we are constrained to say, "What hath God wrought?"

Bloomington, St. Matthew's. - The Rev. T. N. Morrison.

Church Wardens—Goodman Ferre, S. M. Etter.

Families, 85; Individuals not thus included, 20; Total of Souls, 445.

Baptisms—Infants, 11; Adults, 14; Total, 25.

Confirmed, 8. Marriages, 2. Burials, 7.

Communicants—Admitted, 8; Received, 7; Removed, 6; Died, 1.

Present Number, 123.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 5; Female, 11; Total, 16.

Scholars: Male, 60; Female, 110; Total, 170.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12; Catechumens, 170.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 14; Other Days, 1; Total, 15.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 20; Total, 72.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 46; Other Days, 7; Total, 53.

Sermons, 101. Lectures and other Addresses, 112.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$62.30; Parish Indebtedness, 3,400; Sunday School, 150.00; Other Parish Purposes, 450.00. Total.....\$4,062 30

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$75.00; Diocesan Fund, 194.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 12.00. Total..... 187 00

General.—Foreign Missions. \$15.00; Nashotah, 25.00. Total..... 40 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$4,289 30

Cairo, Redeemer. - - - The Rev. Edwin Coan.

(For five months.)

Church Wardens—W. W. Thornton, H. L. Halliday.

Families, 71; Individuals not thus included, 38; Total of Souls, 300. Baptisms—Infants, 7.

Communicants—Received, 11; Removed, 9; Present number, 85.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 5; Female, 20; Total. 25.

Scholars: Total, 165.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 6; Catechumens, 150.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 6; Other Days, 1; Total, 7.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 34; Other Days, 6; Total, 40.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 34; Other Days, 10; Total, 44.

Sermons, 68; Lectures and other Addresses, 25.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion.....\$58 03

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$58 03

This Report covers the interval of about five months, dating from the beginning of the present Rectorship. During that period the Church edifice has been enlarged and improved, and the Chancel refurnished, the expenses of which not yet being fully ascertained, will be reported next year.

The envelope system is in successful operation, and the Parish has adopted a financial plan which, I trust, will secure hereafter the utmost promptness and regularity in our remittances for all canonical and general objects.

I have held one Service at Mound City, and several at Villa Ridge.

EDWIN COAN.

Carlinville, St. Paul's, - - The Rev. D. W. Dresser.

Church Wardens—M. H. Head, M. D., James McIntyre.

Families, 20; Individuals not thus included, 30; Total of Souls, 90.

Baptisms—Infants, 2.

Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 3. Burials, 3.

Communicants—Admitted, 5; Received, 4; Removed, 3.

Present Number, 27.

Parish School—Teachers: Male, 1.

Scholars: Male, 10; Female, 15; Total, 25.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 4; Total, 6.

Scholars: Male, 25; Female, 25; Total, 50.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 12; Other Days, 3; Total, 15.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 47; Other Days, 4; Total, 51.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 47; Other Days, 15; Total, 62.

Sermons, 102. Lectures and other Addresses, 6.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Interest on Parsonage debt, etc., \$106.78; Incidental expenses, 116.70; In and for the Sunday School, 59.31. Total.....\$282.79

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$15.95; Diocesan Fund, 37.60; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 7.65; St. Mary's School, Knoxville, 667. Total..... 67.87

General.—Domestic Missions..... 13.53

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$364.19

The Communicants here reported, are those who have *actually* presented themselves at the Holy Table during the year. There are several others who have not done so, and are therefore not here included. With regard to "Catechetical Instruction," the same remarks will apply as in report of last year. The Parish is, in most respects, in healthy condition. Its members, for the most part, seem disposed to contribute freely, both of time and means, according to their ability, and several small improvements have been made during the year. But I would respectfully submit that the Diocesan Assessment (which should have been \$59.60, instead of \$37.60, and was so indeed, though, through a mistake of the Diocesan Treasurer, I did not know it in time,) is *too much* for a feeble and struggling Parish, in which there is only one single wealthy man, and which is scarcely able to walk alone, is *not* able, indeed, so to walk with anything like safety or freedom of action.

Besides the acts above reported, I have also, at the request of the Bishop, spent one Sunday each month, since April, inclusive, at East

St. Louis, where I have administered Communion once, and have baptized 13 children and 1 adult. This is a very important point indeed, where a Clergyman should be placed and retained if possible, at all hazards. Our brethren there are now building a small Church, and have taken the preliminary steps towards organizing a Parish.

I have also, during the past year, officiated at one marriage and one burial at Gillespie, and married one couple at Chesterfield, besides other occasional services at other places.

Carrollton, ——— - The Rev. Henry G. Perry, A. M.

Families, 15; Individuals not thus included, 11; Total of Souls, 68.

Baptisms—Infants, 12; Adults, 5; Total, 17.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 3.

Communicants—Admitted, 3; Received, 5; Died, 1.

Present Number, 19.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 1; Female, 5; Total, 6.

Scholars: Total, 37.

Public Catechetical Instruction—At each Service.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 12; Other Days, 1; Total, 14.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 23; Other Days, 2; Total, 25.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 23; Other Days, 2; Total, 25.

Sermons, 48. Lectures and other Addresses, 3.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$13.40; For Parish Purposes, 100.00; Sunday School Library, Prayer Books, etc., 41.25.

Total.....\$154 65

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions..... 3 30

General.—Nashotah..... 7 65

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$165 60

As to confirmations, this year, may be said that the Bishop's appointment to visit was only prevented by prostrating illness. At Carrollton (as at Jerseyville), the present Pastor would add that, besides various much-needed improvements of late, the offer of a very choice building lot has been made for the Church, and the propriety with the view of erecting a House of Prayer is entertained by, as it is urged upon, the people strenuously. The use of like convenient place for public worship on Sundays (alternating Jerseyville) is still granted the Congregation; and, with the properties of sacramental utensils, organ, Sunday school libraries, etc., as provided at considerable outlay last year, enables the Church, through diligence, to keep in active operation her Apostolic instrumentalities for propagating the Divine faith and doctrine of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Chester, St. Mark's.

Church Wardens—John L. Edwards, Wm. R. Marlin.

Families, 20; Individuals not thus included, 40; Total of Souls, 80.

Baptisms—Infants, 4.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

Communicants—Present Number, 28.

Sunday School—Teachers, Female, 4.

Scholars, Male, 7; Female, 7; Total, 14.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 29.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 27.

Sermons, 56.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Collections from September to May, \$20.10; Collections for repairing the Church, 279.00. Total.....\$299.10

Diocesan.—Diocesan Fund..... 23.00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$322.10

There being no Minister in St. Mark's Parish, the report is made up partly from the report of last year and partly from the Parish Register. The members of the Church have contributed the amount of \$279.00 to the repair of the Church edifice, and I am happy to state that the building is in perfect order, and is in readiness for a new minister. We will be able to pay only \$300.00 per annum salary, and, without the aid of the Mission Fund, we cannot expect to obtain a Minister.

JOHN L. EDWARDS,

Senior Warden.

Chesterfield, St. Peter's. *The Rev. Joseph Adderly.*

Church Wardens—Thomas S. Gelder, Robert Oliver.

Families, 10; Individuals not thus included, 15; Total of Souls, 56.

Baptisms—Infants, 4.

Burials, 3.

Communicants—Admitted, 3. Present number, 12.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 3; Total, 5.

Scholars, 30.

Public Catechical Instruction—Number Times, 8.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 8; Other Days, 2; Total, 10.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 24; Other Days, 12; Total, 36.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 24.

Sermons, 48

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial. —Alms at Holy Communion, \$20.00. Total.	\$70 00
Diocesan. —Diocesan Missions, \$12.00; Sunday School Library, 30.00; Assessment of the Parish, 12.00. Total.....	54 00
General. —Domestic Missions.....	3 00
TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....	\$147 00

I have officiated every fifth Sunday at Waverly, baptized one adult, and administered the Holy Communion three times. There is only one individual at Waverly who is able to give anything for the support of a Clergyman.

Besides the above Services, I have officiated at Carlyle every fourth Sunday; administered the Holy Communion to seventeen Communicants. The Church at this place promises to do well. They have rented a hall, and the ladies have fitted it up in a very church-like manner. They have organized a small Sunday School, which numbers about thirty scholars.

If the Missionary Board of the Diocese will aid this place for a time, I have hope they will build up a good and permanent Church.

I have officiated twice at St. Paul's Church, Alton, in exchange with Dean Abbott.

September 13th, 1870.

Chicago, All Saints, - - - The Rev. Jonas Greene.

Church Wardens—B. F. Davison, Edward Goodridge.

Families, 25; Individuals not thus included, 45; Total of Souls, 75. Confirmed, 1.

Communicants—Admitted, 20. Present Number, 25.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 4; Female, 8; Total, 12.

Scholars: Male, 35; Female, 50; Total, 85.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 8.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 2.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 12.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 12.

Sermons, 22.

Parochial. —Alms at Holy Communion, \$19.50.	
Total.....	\$230 00
General.....	100 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$330 00

RIGHT REVEREND AND DEAR SIR:

The Parish of All Saints, derived from the Cathedral Mission of the same name, was organized June 28. Since that period there has been a remarkable progress in attendance at public worship, in the

character of Services, in the Sunday School, and in all other respects connected with the growth and success of the Parish. The very short interval of time intervening between parochial organization and the Diocesan Convention must serve as an excuse for the imperfect character of statistics, as here furnished.

The success which has so far attended us, and for which we humbly thank Divine Providence, must be attributed, under God, to the devotion and energy of the Senior Warden, who has spared neither labor nor time in collecting the means by which the Church has been built and furnished. Where all have done well in connection with the Church that we represent, it is difficult to particularize any as deserving of praise; yet will it not be deemed any injustice by those associated with us in this work, that we have made this acknowledgment of the services of one to whom we owe so much.

I have the honor to report, as services external to parochial work, the following acts during the convention year:

Services, 26; Marriages, 2; Burials, 2.

Very respectfully yours,

JONAS GREENE.

Chicago, Ascension. - - *The Rev. C. P. Dorset.*

Associate Rector—Rev. G. C. Street.

Church Wardens—J. L. Watson, F. B. Peabody.

Families, 65; Individuals not thus included, 35; Total of Souls, 350.

Baptisms—Infants, 41; Adults, 9; Total, 50.

Confirmed, 38. Marriages, 6. Burials, 16.

Communicants—Admitted, 38; Received, 74; Removed, 42.

Present Number, 150.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 5; Female, 13; Total, 18.

Scholars: Male, 50; Female, 106; Total, 156.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 52.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 48; Other Days, 42; Total, 90.

Private, 2.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 168; Total, 220.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 212; Total, 264.

Sermons, 115. Lectures and other Addresses, 67.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$126.35; Sunday School Purposes, 151.35; Children's Easter Offerings (for new Font and Altar), 205.00; for Altar Furniture, 250.00; General Purposes, 1,944.11. Total.....\$2,276 81

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$15.00; Diocesan Fund, 166.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 6.00. Total..... 187 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..\$2,463 81

On the first of January last, the seats in this Church were made free to all, and the result has been all that we anticipated. We have only a plain wooden building, but we try to be thankful for that. We need a Rectory and School House, and indeed our *wants* are far more than our possessions. Still we mean to make the parish *live*, and think we shall succeed.

Chicago, Atonement. - - *The Rev. Oscar B. Thayer.*

Church Wardens—Reuben Taylor, Robert S. Worthington.

Families, 46; Individuals not thus included, 28; Total of Souls, 210.
 Baptisms—Infants, 14; Adults, 3; Total, 17.
 Confirmed, 12. Marriages, 3. Burials, 6.
 Communicants—Admitted, 10; Received, 2; Removed, 7.
 Present Number, 50.
 Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 4; Female, 12; Total, 16.
 Scholars: Male, 60; Female, 136; Total, 196.
 Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12; Catechumens, 196.
 Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 12; Other Days, 6; Total, 18.
 Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 40; Total, 92.
 Evening Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 54; Total, 106.
 Sermons, 104. Lectures and other Addresses, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$121.65; Christmas Day, 6.95; For Mission Work, 258.20; Improvement on Church Building, 511.00. Total..... \$897 80
Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$37.68; Diocesan Fund, 162.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 9.00; For St. Luke's Hospital, 15.20. Total..... 223 88

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$1,121 68

Chicago, Calvary. - - - *The Rev. A. W. Snyder.*

Church Wardens—Henry Pilcher, Edward Simmons.

Families, 46; Individuals not thus included, 20; Total of Souls, 250.
 Baptisms—Infants, 18; Adults, 3; Total, 21.
 Confirmed, 13. Marriages, 7. Burials, 6.
 Communicants—Died, 2. Present Number, 56.
 Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 12; Female, 3; Total, 15.
 Scholars: Total, 100.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 52; Catechumens, 100.
 Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 15; Other Days, 10; Total, 25.
 Private, 3.
 Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 15; Total, 67.
 Evening Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 14; Total, 66.
 Sermons, 120. Lectures and other Addresses, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$65.00; Various Parochial Purposes, 1,800.13; Sunday School Purposes, 97.82.

Total\$1,962 95

Diocesan.—Diocesan Fund, \$107.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 5.16; Sunday School Offering to St. Luke's Hospital, 13.45.

Total 125.61

General.—Domestic Missions, \$7.50; For Nashotah, 11.35; Kemper Hall, 6.32. Total..... 25.17

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$2,113 73

The Parish has never been in a more prosperous condition.

Chicago, Cathedral. The Rt. Rev. H. J. Whitehouse, D.D. &c.

*Canons—The Rev. J. H. Knowles,
 The Rev. G. C. Street.*

Families, 300; Total of Souls, estimated, 1,500.

Baptisms—Infants, 45; Adults, 10; Total, 55.

Confirmed, 53. Marriages, 15. Burials, 25.

Communicants—Admitted, 52; Received, 15; Died, 3.

 Present Number, 350.

Parish School—Teachers: Male, 1; Female, 2; Total, 3.

 Scholars: Male, 30; Female, 30; Total, 60.

Sunday School—Teachers, 40.

 Scholars, 350.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 52; Catechumens, 350.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 52; All Holy Days, 17; Total, 69.

 Private, 2.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 314; Total, 366.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 314; Total, 366.

Sermons, 108. Lectures and Other Addresses, 40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—General Expenses, exclusive of Clerical Salaries, \$2,175.71; Sunday and Day Schools, 544.76; from Sunday School, for Window, \$100.00; for Bell Fund, 22.07. Total.....\$2,842 54

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$175.08; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 92.12; Theological Education, 375.00; from Sunday School, for Missions, 50.00; St. Luke's Hospital, 50.00; Industrial School, 50.00; Students of Jubilee College, 50.00. Total..... 842 20

General.—Two Scholarships in Salt Lake School, from Cathedral Sunday School, \$80.00; To various Missionaries, 100.00. Total..... 180 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$3,864 74

Chicago, Christ Church. - The Rev. Charles E. Cheney.

Church Wardens—E. B. Phillips, Albert Crane.

Families, 400; Individuals not thus included, 100; Total Souls, 1,800.

Baptisms—Infants, 61; Adults, 15; Total, 76.

Confirmed, 41. Marriages, 31. Burials, 31.

Communicants—Admitted, 46; Received, 75; Removed, 40.

Present Number, 340.

Sunday Schools—Teachers: Male, 40; Female, 62; Total, 102.

Scholars: Male, 549; Female, 604; Total, 1,153.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 12; Other Days, 1; Total, 13.

Private, 2.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 19; Total, 71.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 51; Other Days, 40; Total, 91.

Sermons, 107. Lectures and other Addresses, 55.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$532.11; Easter Offering, 932.46; Sunday School Organ, 100.00; For Mission Sunday School Work, 2,000.00; Other Parochial Objects, 800.00. Total..\$4,364 57

General.—Domestic Missions, \$40.00; Chicago Bible Society, 52.90; Evangelical Educational Society, 228.75. Total... 321 65

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$4,686 22

Chicago, Epiphany. - - *The Rev. Richard F. Sweet.*

Church Wardens—D. W. Page, George Gardner.

Families, 74; Individuals not thus included, 12; Total of Souls, 313.
Baptisms—Infants, 18; Adults, 1; Total, 19.

Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 6. Burials, 11.

Communicants—Admitted, 5; Received, 23; Removed, 20; Died, 5.
Present Number, 113.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 13; Total, 15.

Scholars: Male, 47; Female, 67; Total, 114.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12; Catechumens, 114.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 14; Other Days, 1; Total, 15.
Private, 4.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 49; Other Days, 44; Total, 93.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 50; Other Days, 33; Total, 83.

Sermons, 116. Lectures and other Addresses, 9.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$262.07; Pew Rental, 3,046 88; Collections and other Receipts, 1,514.08; Sunday School, 200.00. Total.....\$5,023 03

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$70.91; Diocesan Fund, 198.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 21.50. Total..... 290 41

General.—Foreign Missions..... 48 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$5,361 44

Chicago, Grace. - - *The Rev. Clinton Locke, D. D.*

Church Wardens—Hibbard Porter, Wm. G. Hibbard.

Families, 250; Individuals not thus included, 200; Total Souls, 1,000.

Baptisms—Infants, 51; Adults, 8; Total, 59.

Confirmed, 26. Marriages, 19. Burials, 17.

Communicants—Admitted, 26; Received, 44; Removed, 38; Died, 3.
Present Number, 300.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 11; Female, 16; Total, 27.

Scholars: Male, 116; Female, 157; Total, 273.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 11; Catechumens, 273.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 18; Other Days, 4; Total, 22.
Private, 3.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 51; Other Days, 34; Total, 85.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 48; Other Days, 25; Total, 73.

Sermons, 100. Lectures and other Addresses, 14.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$730.61; Sunday School, 625.00; Parish Purposes, 1,013.26; Liquidation Church Debt, 7,652.13. Total.....\$10,021 00

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$680.00; Diocesan Fund, 658.00. Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 114.00; Knoxville School, 335.00. Total. 1,787 00

General.—Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$42.56; Theological Education, 300.00; St. Luke's Hospital, 1,900.00; Church at Ellsworth, Kan., 116.50; Church at Hartland, Wis., 100.00; School at Hannibal, Mo., 300.00; Salt Lake Mission, 40.00; Conversion of Jews, 36.15. Total..... 2,835 21

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$14,643 21

The Parish is in every way very flourishing.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Rector.*

The Rector is now in Europe, his absence necessitated by ill health, which, we believe, under God's good providence, is now in a fair way of restoration. During his absence Services have been maintained by the Rev. Prof. Pitts, the Rev. Drs. De Koven, Ashley and Schuyler, and the Bishops of Georgia and Wisconsin.

H. C. RANNEY,

Clerk of Vestry.

Chicago, Our Saviour. - The Rev. W. F. B. Jackson.

Church Warden—Franklin Hatheway.

Baptisms—Infants, 7; Adults, 2; Total, 9.

Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 1. Burials, 9.

Communicants—Admitted, 5; Received, 15; Removed, 7; Died, 1.
Present number, 52.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 5; Female, 5; Total, 10.
Scholars, 70.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12; Catechumens, 50.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 14; Other Days, 2; Total, 16.
Private, 2.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 16; Total, 68.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 12; Total, 64.

Sermons, 104. Lectures and Other Addresses, 15.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial. —Alms at Holy Communion, \$73.00; Building Fund, Furniture and Incidental Expenses, 4,775.00; for Organ, 500.	
Total.....	\$5,348 00
Diocesan. —Diocesan Missions, \$25.00; Diocesan Fund, 88.00.	
Total.....	113 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$5,461 00

Since last Convention the Parish has erected a church edifice, and we are now occupying it. Our congregation is steadily increasing, and the very small debt still remaining will probably be defrayed before Easter next. The prospects of the Parish would seem more favorable than those of any other new Parish in the city.

Chicago, St. Ansgarius'. - The Rev. Jacob Bredberg.

Church Wardens—John M. Shonbeck, C. W. Anderson.

Families, 162; Individuals not thus included, 122; Total of Souls, 700.
Baptisms—Infants, 179.

Confirmed, 29. Marriages, 119. Burials, 45.

Communicants—Admitted, 29; Received, 22; Removed, 64; Died, 7.
Present Number, 485.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 6. Private, 7.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 4; Total, 56.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 23; Other Days, 4; Total, 27.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial. —Alms at Holy Communion.....	\$16 81
Diocesan. —Diocesan Missions, \$17.41; Diocesan Fund, 135.00.	
Total.....	52 41

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$69 22

Chicago, St. James'. - The Rev. J. H. Rylance, D. D.

Assistant—The Rev. C. V. Kelly, D. D.

Church Wardens—E. H. Sheldon, C. R. Larrabee.

Families, 170; Individuals not thus included, 120; Total of Souls, 800.
Baptisms—Infants, 41; Adults, 2; Total, 43.

Confirmed, 20. Marriages, 26. Burials, 14.

Communicants—Admitted, 18; Received, 15; Removed, 18; Died, 1.
Present Number, 314.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 15; Female, 18; Total, 33.
Scholars, 280.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 6.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 15; Other Days, 2; Total, 17.
Private, 2.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 21; Total, 73.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 12; Total, 64.

Sermons, 90. Lectures and other Addresses, 25.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$1,088.00; Improvement of Church Edifice, 6,893.98; Sunday School, 112.91; For the Poor (in addition to Communion Alms), 155.00. Total... \$8,249 89

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$170.00; Diocesan Fund, 690.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 80.00; Feeble Parishes, (within the Diocese), 177.60; St. Luke's Hospital, 876.73.

Total..... 1,994 33

General.—Foreign Missions, \$70.46; For a Missionary, \$200.00; Feeble Parish, 93.00. Total..... 363 46

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$10,607 68

Chicago, St. John's. - The Rev. H. N. Powers, D.D.

Church Wardens—Job Carpenter, C. H. Jordan.

Families, 155; Individuals not thus included, 80; Total of Souls, 650.
Baptisms—Infants, 32; Adults, 2; Total, 34.

Confirmed, 17. Marriages, 17. Burials, 21.

Communicants—Admitted, 16; Received, 7; Removed, 28; Died, 1.
Present Number, 190.

Mission Sunday School—Teachers and Officers: Male, 8; Female, 8.
Total, 16.

Scholars: Male, 60; Female, 110; Total, 170.

Home Sunday School—Teachers and Officers: Male, 17; Female, 21.
Total, 38.

Scholars: Male, 130; Female, 225; Total, 355.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 12; Other Days, 2; Total, 14.
Private, 2.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 9; Total, 61.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 15; Total, 67.

Sermons, 104. Lectures and other Addresses, 14.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$158.25; Easter Offering, 300.00; Christmas Collection, 42.07; Home Sunday School Expenses, 450.00; Mission Sunday School, 215.00. Total..\$1,165 32

Diocesan.—Diocesan Fund, \$747.35; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 35.37; Church at Marseilles, 13.00. Total..... 795 72

General.—Domestic Missions, \$28.00; Foreign Missions, 42.00; Education Society, 95.00; St. Luke's Hospital, 80.00; American Bible Society, 58.53; Woman's Home, 25.00; Evangelical Missionary Society, 42.00; Propagation of Christianity among the Jews, 17.40.

Total 387 99

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$2,349 03

This Parish has suffered for some time for lack of suitable and convenient church accommodations. But the prospect for speedy improvement and greater prosperity is now bright and encouraging. The ground will be broken September 15th for the erection of a spacious and handsome stone edifice, and the work of building will go on immediately. The Parish is very united, and the important undertaking in which we are now engaged will stimulate new interest and effort for the advancement of our Church in this portion of the city.

Chicago, St. Mark's. - The Rev. Brockholst Morgan.

Church Wardens—C. T. Bowen, M. W. Fuller.

Families, 45; Individuals not thus included, 20; Total of Souls, 200. Baptisms—Infants, 20; Adults, 9; Total, 29.

Confirmed, 12. Marriages, 4. Burials, 11.

Communicants—Admitted, 10; Received, 17; Removed, 13; Died, 3. Present Number, 75.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 7; Female, 8; Total, 15.

Scholars: Male, 40; Female, 60; Total, 100.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12; Catechumens, 100.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 13; Other Days, 1; Total, 14. Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 47; Other Days, 3; Total, 50.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 47; Other Days, 50; Total, 97.

Sermons, 94. Lectures and other Addresses, 53.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$40.25; Parish Purposes, 3,817.11. Total.....\$3,857 36

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$52.38; Diocesan Fund, 115.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 9.80. Total..... 177 18

General.—Jews, 3.46; Indian Mission, 11.00. Total. 14 46

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$4,049 00

RIGHT REVEREND AND DEAR BISHOP:

During the past year, the Divine blessing has rested upon this Parish to so great an extent, that any one acquainted with the once depressed condition of this Church, would scarcely recognize it in its new prosperity. The statistics annexed, speak for the increased growth of the strength of the Church; and, in addition to this, \$5,000 of the debt has been paid off by the sale of some Parish property, and the Church building has been greatly beautified and improved in the interior and exterior. Much still remains to be done before the Parish will be in fullest prosperity, and it is my earnest prayer that next year's report will chronicle the fact that St. Mark's is no longer under any financial embarrassments.

Yours, very obediently,

BROCKHOLST MORGAN.

Chicago, St. Stephen's. - - The Rev. March Chase.

Church Wardens—Edward Dansen, John C. McVey.

Families, 85; Individuals not thus included, 60; Total of Souls, 400.

Baptisms—Infants, 34; Adults, 1; Total, 35.

Confirmed, 13. Marriages, 10. Burials, 6.

Communicants—Admitted, 12; Received, 10; Removed, 15; Died, 3.
Present Number, 124.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 3; Female, 14; Total, 17.

Scholars: Male, 60; Female, 90; Total, 150.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 9.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 15; Other Days, 1; Total, 16.
Private, 3.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 22; Total, 74.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 29; Total, 81.

Sermons, 116. Lectures and other Addresses, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$73.21; Floating Debts, 282.41; Sunday School, 197.90; Completion of the Church; 800.00;
Current Expenses, 495.90. Total.....\$1,849 42

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$1,849 42

The state of the Parish during the past year, and the needed completion of its Church, have rendered it necessary to limit all contributions to Parochial objects. But its present condition promises a better record for the future.

Chicago, Trinity. - The Rev. Edward Sullivan, A. B.

Church Warden—W. H. Adams.

Families, 150; Individuals not thus included, 200; Total of Souls, 950.

Baptisms—Infants, 37; Adults, 6; Total, 43.

Confirmed, 25. Marriages, 27. Burials, 21.

Communicants—Admitted, 12; Received, 4; Removed, 10; Died, 3.
Present Number, 152.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 3; Female, 7; Total, 10.

Scholars: Male, 34; Female, 25; Total, 59.

Mission Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 11; Female, 20; Total, 31.

Scholars: Male, 200; Female, 247; Total, 447.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12.

Holy Communion—Sundays, 16; Other Days, 1; Total, 17.

Private, 4.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 46; Other Days, 15; Total, 61.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 46; Other Days, 37; Total, 83.

Sermons, 95. Lectures and other Addresses, 38.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$827.00; for Church Improvements, 3,750.67; for Church Debt, 4,589.00; for Sunday Schools, 650.00. Total..... \$9,822 67

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$600.00; Diocesan Fund, 545.00; Poor Parishes, 200.00. Total..... 1,345 00

General.—Domestic Missions, \$160.00; St. Luke's Hospital, 400.00. Total..... 560 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$11,727 67

TO THE RT. REV. H. J. WHITEHOUSE, D. D., &c.:

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir—The foregoing Report indicates, among other signs of progress in Trinity Church, an increase of more than 100 per cent. in the contributions raised by the congregation for various religious and charitable objects—a fact all the more gratifying in view of the disadvantage under which we still labor, in consequence of the distance of the Church from the great majority of its pew-holders. For this evil, becoming, as it does, more and more aggravated every year, in proportion to the encroachments of business, a remedy must, ere long, be applied; and we trust that when a change of site does, at last, become absolutely necessary, the other city churches will co-operate with us in the object we unanimously desire to accomplish, viz.: the conversion of Trinity Church, not into a warehouse or public music hall, as some propose, but into a *Free Church*, for the central or business portion of the city, for all time to come.

Especially gratifying is it to be able to report that the congrega-

tion is at peace in itself, unagitated by internal partizanship, and growing steadily in its love for a sound, conservative churchmanship, combined with the preaching of simple Evangelic Truth.

I remain, Rt. Rev. and dear Sir, your obedient servant,

EDWARD SULLIVAN.

Chillicothe, St. John's. - - The Rev. W. Y. Johnson.

Church Wardens—Solomon Stowell, J. W. Fuller.

Families, 18; Individuals not thus included, 25; Total of Souls, 110.

Baptisms—Infants, 3.

Marriages, 5. Burials, 1.

Communicants—Present Number, 14.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 5; Total, 7.

Scholars; Male, 20; Female, 45; Total, 65.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12; Catechumens, 15.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 6.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 50.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 50; Other Days, 12; Total, 62.

Sermons, 112. Lectures and other Addresses, 4.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$7.20; Sunday School Library and Papers, 40.00; Cabinet Organ, 90.00; Incidental, 50.00.

Total.....\$187 20

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions..... 6 50

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$193 70

Danville, Holy Trinity. - - - - -

Church Wardens—J. C. Winslow, A. S. Williams.

Families, 30; Individuals not thus included, 70; Total of Souls, 100.

Baptisms—Infants, 5; Adults, 5; Total, 10.

Confirmed, 10. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4.

Communicants—Received, 4; Died, 1. Present Number, 30.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 5; Female, 5; Total, 10.

Scholars: Male, 20; Female, 40; Total, 60.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 2.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 10.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 50.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$123.83; New Tower built to Church, 350.00; Sunday School Books and Papers, 35.00; Sundry other purposes, 50.00; Bell in the Tower, 256.00; Sundry other purposes, 224.66. Total.....\$1,039 49

Diocesan.—Diocesan Fund, \$25.00; Paid on Bonded Debt, 60.00. Total..... 85 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$1,124 40

This Parish is in a harmonious and flourishing condition, with a steadily growing attendance on Public Worship. We have just completed a tower by the Church, adding much to its beauty and convenience. We have a good two-story brick Parsonage adjoining the Church. The whole Church property is valued at \$8,000.

Decatur, St. John's. - - The Rev. Philip McKim.

Church Wardens—Cyril Fuller, James Forester.

Families, 47; Individuals not thus included, 9; Total of Souls, 228.

Baptisms—Infants, 3; Adults, 5; Total, 8.

Confirmed, 9. Marriages, 1. Burials, 5.

Communicants—Admitted, 9; Received, 8; Removed, 8; Died, 2.

Present Number, 51.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 3; Female, 4; Total, 7.

Scholars, about 70.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Catechumens, 70.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 10. Private, 5.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 37; Other Days, 34; Total, 71.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 34; Other Days, 52; Total, 86.

Sermons, 73. Lectures and other Addresses, 25.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$31.42; Contingent Expenses, 54.72; Sunday School Purposes, 12.55. Total.....\$98 69

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions..... 22 90

General.—Domestic Missions..... 24 65

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$146 24

The above report covers a period of the Conventional Year of but eight months, the balance of the year having been spent as Rector of St. James' Church, Lewistown. Regular Services have been sustained twice every Lord's Day in this Parish since the first Sunday in January last. In addition to these, the Festivals and Fasts, now, with a

Wednesday afternoon Litany Service, have been regularly celebrated with profit, it is believed. The Lenten Services were largely attended.

The Rector also preached once at the Chapter Meeting in St. John's Church, Knoxville; once at Elmwood; twice in Chicago; three times in the Chapel of Jubilee College; twice in Trinity, Onarga; twice in Trinity, Hannibal, Mo.; twice in the Chapel of St. Paul's College, Palmyra, Mo.; read the Service five times, and preached twice for the Rev. Dr. Schuyler, Rector Christ Church, St. Louis; said the Service twice, and preached in St. John's Church; and administered the Holy Communion, in private, to a sick friend on Christmas day, who died in two days thereafter, at St. Louis, Mo.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

Dixon, St. Luke's. - - The Rev. W. H. Williams.

Church Wardens—J. A. Hawley, J. K. Edsall.

Families, 57; Individuals not thus included, 24; Total of Souls, 187.

Baptisms—Infants, 6; Adults, 3; Total, 9.

Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 6. Burials, 6.

Communicants—Admitted, 5; Received, 14; Removed, 6.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 4; Female, 9; Total, 13.

Scholars: Male, 25; Female, 60; Total, 85.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12; Catechumens, 85.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 12; Other Days, 8; Total, 20.

Private, 4.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 50; Other Days, 20; Total, 70.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 74; Other Days, 15; Total, 89.

Sermons, 124. Lectures and other Addresses, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$74.00; Contingent Expenses, 129.94; Parish Purposes, 190.50; Donations to Poor, 20.50. Total\$414 94

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$57.95; Diocesan Fund, 105.30; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 9.60. Total..... 172 85

General.—Domestic Missions 21 77

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$609 56

The Parish was never more prosperous. I have subscribed six thousand dollars toward the erection of the new Church.

I have given, as heretofore, one-half day service at Grand Detour, when the weather would permit. [For detail, see report of Grand Detour.]

Dundee, St. James'. - - The Rev. Peter Arvedson.

Baptisms—Infants, 1; Adults, 1; Total, 2.

Communicants—Admitted, 1; Received, 2; Removed, 2.

Present Number, 28.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 2.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 28; Other Days, 3; Total, 31.

Lay Reading, 24.

Sermons, 31.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$3.95; towards purchase of Organ, 69.00; Weekly Collection for current expenses, light, fuel, etc., 33.86. Total.....\$106 81

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$7.25; Diocesan Fund, 27.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 1.30. Total..... 35 55

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$142 36

RIGHT REVEREND FATHER IN GOD:

This Parish has, in a measure, met the hopeful anticipations of growth in life and work, expressed in last year's report. If unforeseen circumstances had not prevented the intended visitation of the Bishop, we should have been enabled to report a small increase of Communicants by confirmation. Among our members, there seems to be manifested a growing sense of the necessity of "working together" by word and work, and also an increased realization of the duty resting upon each one, according to ability, to sustain the ministrations of the Church, both as respect the House of God, and "the offices thereof;" and also as regards the servant of Christ, set to minister among them. Taking into consideration that not one of our few members is wealthy, we trust it may be said of them, they have done what they could. By the grace of our God, we hope, in the future, to see an equal willingness and greater ability to do.

PETER ARVEDSON,
Missionary in Charge.

Effingham, ——— - The Rev. John Wesley Osborne.

Families, 6; Individuals not thus included, 21; Total of Souls, 47.

Baptisms—Infants, 1. Burials, 1.

Communicants—Received, 11; Died, 1. Present Number, 11.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 6.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 6.

Sermons, 12. Lectures and other Addresses, 3.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$5.40; For Books, 10.00. Total.....\$15 40

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$15 40

I have introduced the Service of the Church, for the first time, at this place. The congregation is good, and greatly desire the organization of a Parish, which will be carried into effect.

Elgin, Redeemer. - - - *The Rev. George Wallace.*

Church Wardens—John F. Beaty, Robert Vasey.

Families, 30; Individuals not thus included, 15; Total of Souls, 130. Marriages, 1.

Communicants—Removed, 4. Present Number, 30.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 1; Total, 3.

Scholars: Male, 10; Female, 19; Total, 29.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 3.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 50; Other Days, 3; Total, 53.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 50; Other Days, 10; Total, 60.

Sermons, 113. Lectures and other Addresses, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$10.09; Rent of Hall, 200.00; Contingent Expenses, 70.00; Fuel, 12.00. Total. \$292 09

Diocesan.—Diocesan Fund..... 35 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$327 09

The present Rector entered upon his duties on the first Sunday in August. The Parish has been without a Rector for nearly four years. During that time the Services have been faithfully and ably maintained by the Senior Warden, acting as Lay Reader. The Parish has, as yet, no church building. Services are held in a hall, which is neatly fitted up for that purpose. It is already too small for the congregation, and it is therefore hoped that the Lord will put it into the hearts of His servants to erect a house to His name. The prospects of the Church in this growing town are certainly very encouraging.

In his parochial visiting the Rector has already found a number of persons who are communicants of the Church, but not yet identified with the Parish, and not reported as such. There are also many families in the town who are interested in our prosperity, and would, doubtless, throw in their lot with us if we had a church building.

GEORGE WALLACE, *Rector.*

Evanston, St. Mark's. - *The Rev. Alfred J. Barrow.*

Church Wardens—C. Comstock, A. G. Wilder.

Families, 50; Individuals not thus included, 20; Total of Souls, 230.

Baptisms—Infants, 4.

Marriages, 3. Burials, 3.

Communicants—Received, 24; Removed, 3; Died, 1.

Present Number, 60.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 1; Female, 5; Total, 6.

Scholars: Male, 15; Female, 25; Total, 40.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 10.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 14; Other Days, 1; Total, 15.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 50; Other Days, 9; Total, 59.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 50; Other Days, 19; Total, 69.

Sermons, 100. Lectures and other Addresses, 5.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$21.16; Easter and other Offerings, for new carpet, etc., 78.75; Altar and Lectern Cloth, (special contribution,) 40.00; Ladies' Aid Society, towards painting Church, etc., 304.00; Sunday School, Christmas Festival, etc., 105.64; General purposes, not including Rector's salary, 762.25.

Total.....\$1,311 80

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$10.00; Diocesan Fund, 64.00.

Total.....74 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$1,385 80

Fairbury, ——— - *The Rev. John Wesley Osborne.*

Church Wardens—Moses Osman, Wm. T. Stackpole.

Families, 8; Individuals not thus included, 14; Total of Souls, 34.

Communicants—Present Number, 9.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 4. Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 13.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 13.

Sermons, 26. Lectures and other Addresses, 3.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$7.90; Record Book, and other books, 18.10; Rent of Public Hall, 10.00. Total..\$36 00

General.—Domestic Missions.....2 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$38 00

The members of the Church are firmly united; the congregation is good, and I am greatly encouraged in my delightful work.

Farmington, Calvary. - - *The Rev. Philander Chase.*

Church Wardens—William Wilkinson, Lyman Warner.

Families, 15; Individuals not thus included, 10; Total of Souls, 60.

Communicants—Admitted, 2; Removed, 1.

Present Number, 23.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 1; Female, 3; Total, 4.

Scholars: Male, 7; Female, 9; Total, 16.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 6. Private, 2.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 25.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 20; Other Days, 2; Total, 22.

Sermons, 47. Lectures and other Addresses, 2.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion.....\$10 00

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$25.00; Diocesan Fund, 20.00.

Total..... 45 00

General.—Domestic Missions, (Mite Chest)..... 14 75

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$69 75

In making my report of the state of this Parish, I am unable to record any particular progress. The Services have been kept up every Sunday when I was not present, by Lay reading. The teachers of the Sunday School have applied for and received from the Domestic Committee, a number of their mite boxes, and at their first opening were enabled to send \$14.75, which came from sources which otherwise would have contributed nothing, and we trust that thus a spirit of self denial and habit of giving systematically may be begun among our Sunday School scholars.

Farm Ridge, St. Andrew's, - *The Rev. H. T. Hiester.*

Church Wardens—John Yocum, Hiram Jackson.

Families, 16; Individuals not thus included, 8; Total of Souls, 90.

Baptisms—Infants, 1. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4.

Communicants—Received, 2; Removed, 10.

Present Number, 25.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 3; Female, 4; Total, 7.

Scholars: Male, 23; Female, 30; Total, 53.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 7.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 11.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 50; Other Days, 4; Total, 54.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 14.

Sermons, 68.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial. —Alms at Holy Communion, \$44.54; Improvements on Rectory, 51.90. Total.....	\$ 96 44
Diocesan. —Diocesan Missions, \$8.70; Diocesan Fund, 30.00. Total.....	38 70
TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....	\$135 14

Freeport, Zion. - The Rev. William John Johnstone.

Church Wardens—Thomas Webster, Daniel S. Brewster.

Families, 73; Individuals not thus included, 12; Total of Souls, 400.
 Baptisms—Infants, 9; Adults, 4; Total, 13.
 Confirmed, 8. Marriages, 4. Burials, 6.
 Communicants—Admitted, 8; Received, 4; Removed, 5; Died, 1.
 Present Number, 101.
 Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 4; Female, 12; Total, 16.
 Scholars, 100.
 Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12; Catechumens, 100.
 Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 14; Other Days, 1; Total, 15.
 Morning Prayer—Sundays, 49; Other Days, 2; Total, 51.
 Evening Prayer—Sundays, 37; Other Days, 40; Total, 77.
 Sermons, 85. Lectures and other Addresses, 25.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial. —Alms at Holy Communion, \$39.24; Easter Offering for Parish Indebtedness, 1,000.00; Sunday School Offerings, 74.60; Christmas Gifts for Children, 68.32; Offering for Sunday School Library, 100.00. Total.....	\$1,282 16
Diocesan. —Diocesan Missions, \$27.91; Diocesan Fund, 28.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 13.00. Total.....	68 91
General. —Missions to Colored.....	4 45
TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....	\$1,355 52

Fulton, Christ Church, - - The Rev. Geo. Gibson.

Church Wardens—C. W. Fecks, Orrin Cowles.

Families, 10; Individuals not thus included, 6; Total of Souls, 56.
 Baptisms—Infants, 1. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3.
 Communicants—Received, 2; Removed, 1; Died, 1.
 Present Number, 15.
 Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 6.
 Morning Prayer—Sundays, 14; Other Days, 27; Total, 51.
 Evening Prayer—Sundays, 14.
 Sermons, 17.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$5.30; Church Fund, 4.46; Prayer Books, 5.00; Offertory, 19.09. Total.....\$33 85

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions..... 2 25

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$36 10

In July I commenced Services at Savanna, twenty miles up the river, in Carroll County. Since that time I have kept them up every three weeks, and am greatly encouraged at the interest manifested by the people. I found six communicants there, and, if the work be not broken in upon by removals, no doubt but we shall rejoice soon in church building.

Galena, Grace. - - - The Rev. E. H. Downing.

Church Wardens—Frederick Stahl, Richard Seal.

Families, 66; Individuals not thus included, 9; Total of Souls, 308.

Baptisms—Infants, 27; Adults, 5; Total, 32.

Confirmed, 18. Marriages, 5. Burials, 5.

Communicants—Admitted, 17; Received, 2; Removed, 3.

Present Number, 98.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 5; Female, 13; Total, 18.

Scholars: Male, 29; Female, 65; Total, 94.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 30.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 10; Other Days, 2; Total, 12.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 40; Other Days, 39; Total, 79.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 35; Other Days, 10; Total, 45.

Sermons, 71. Lectures and other Addresses, 9.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$127 33; Weekly Collections and Special Contributions, 183.50; Sunday School Offerings, 60.00; Ladies' Society, 137.25. Total.....\$508 08

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$16.20; Diocesan Fund, 114.80. Total..... 131 00

General.—Nashotah, \$3.00; St. Stephen's Mission, Boston, (Individual offering), 5.00; Midnight Mission, New York, 5.00. Total..... 13 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$652 08

This Report dates from December 12th, when the present Rector began his ministrations in the Parish. *Two* of the Baptisms and *two* of the Marriages were by the Rev. C. H. SEYMOUR, while the Parish

was vacant. In addition to the above Report the Rector states that he has held Divine Service and preached *eight* times, has baptized *five* children, administered the Holy Communion *once*, and buried *one* person, in the vacant Parish of St. Paul's, Bellevue, Iowa.

Galesburg, Grace. - - *The Rev. Wm. Thompson.*

Church Wardens—Thomas B. Martin, T. E. Coote.

Families, 67; Individuals not thus included, 16.

Baptisms—Infants, 14; Adults, 5; Total, 19.

Confirmed, 24. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3.

Communicants—Admitted, 24; Received, 6; Removed, 7.

Present Number, 70.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 3; Female, 7; Total, 10.

Scholars: Male, 30; Female, 40; Total, 70.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 11; Catechumens, 70.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 11; Other Days, 3; Total, 14.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 48; Other Days, 15; Total, 63.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 48; Other Days, 54; Total, 102.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$5.00; Repairs and Improvements, 775.00. Total.....\$780 00

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$17.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 7.00. Total..... 24 00

General.—Ministerial Education..... 30 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$834 00

Geneseo, Trinity. - - - *The Rev. W. E. Walker.*

Church Wardens—Willis Hinman, J. T. Whitehead.

Families, 31; Individuals not thus included, 17; Total of Souls, 118.

Baptisms—Infants, 15.

Confirmed, 3. Burials, 3.

Communicants—Admitted, 11; Received, 4; Removed, 5; Died, 2.

Present Number, 38.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 5; Female, 5; Total, 10.

Scholars: Male, 15; Female, 32; Total, 47.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 20; Catechumens, 40.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 5; Other Days, 1; Total, 6.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 47; Other Days, 13; Total, 60.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 47; Other Days, 41; Total, 88.

Sermons, 101. Lectures and other Addresses, 35.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial. —Alms at Holy Communion, \$26.14; For Sunday School, 48.64; For Choir, 10.00; Incidental Expenses, 40.00.	
Total.....	\$124 78
Diocesan. —Diocesan Missions.....	11 18
General. —Domestic Missions, \$10.00; Foreign Missions, 3.40.	
Total.....	13 40
TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....	\$149 36

The present Minister entered on the duties of this Parish at the end of October last. For a long time it had been without a Clergyman, and consequently the Lord's fold was much scattered, especially, as Parochial dissensions extensively prevailed. There is at present a brighter prospect. If the people will lay aside their party differences, and only emulate each other in zeal and good works, it *may*, under the Divine blessing, *grow* to be a tolerably strong Parish. During the year, the Church has been consecrated, and the Congregation and Sunday School enlarged. Great praise is due to some of the ladies of the Parish for their untiring energy in Christ's service, and remarkable kindness to their Minister. If the Church families were more observant of the Church's usages with regard to her Feasts and Fasts, and more careful to uphold and carry out her distinctive teachings, greater good would be effected. This, it is hoped, may yet be done. Financially, there is great improvement, worthy of commendation.

Geneva, St. Mark's.

Church Wardens—B. F. Towner, M. Gasket.

Families, 31; Individuals not thus included, 8; Total of Souls, 112.

Communicants—Present Number, 37.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 1; Female, 3; Total, 4.

Scholars: Male, 8; Female, 12; Total, 20.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 18.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 16.

Sermons, 28. Lay Services, 4.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial. —Church Collections.....	\$29 8
TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....	\$29 8

The foregoing, report from last Easter to this date.

B. F. TOWNER,
Senior Warden.

Gilman, ——— - - The Rev. John Wesley Osborne.

Families, 5; Individuals not thus included, 24; Total of Souls, 49.

Baptisms—Infants, 2.

Communicants—Received, 1. Present Number, 8.

Holy Communion—Public, Sundays, 4. Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 13.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 13.

Sermons, 26. Lectures and Other Addresses, 4.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$8.00; paid for use of Hall, 10.00; other expenses, 5.00. Total.....\$23 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$23 00

The Rev. WILLIAM M. STEEL has become the Rector of Trinity Church, Onarga, which is only four miles from Gilman. I have requested the members of the Church at Gilman to go and worship at Onarga. The Rev. Mr. STEEL will preach at Gilman occasionally.

Grand Detour, ——— - The Rev. Wm. H. Williams.

Communicants, 10.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 3; Female, 6; Total, 9.

Scholars: Male, 12; Female, 16; Total, 28.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion.....\$4 00

General.—Donations to Missions..... 5 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$9 00

Harlem, Christ Church. - The Rev. Wm. I. Magill.

Church Wardens—John S. Quick, John H. S. Quick.

Families, 30; Individuals not thus included, 15; Total of Souls, 142.

Baptisms—Infants, 4. Confirmed, 3. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2.

Communicants—Admitted, 3; Received, 15; Removed, 3; Died, 1.

Present Number, 55.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 8; Total, 10.

Scholars: Male, 46; Female, 48; Total, 94.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 42; Catechumens, 94.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 15; Other Days, 2; Total, 17.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 42; Other Days, 41; Total, 83.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 43; Other Days, 75; Total, 118.

Sermons, 76. Lectures and other Addresses, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$131.27; Offertory, 794.68; Special, 426.89; Sunday School Offertory, about 161.28; Sunday School Mite Society, 157.35. Total.....\$1,671 47

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$25.00; Diocesan Fund, 75.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 5.45. Total..... 105 45

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$1,776 92

The present Rector took charge of the Parish November 1st, 1869. The Report, with a few exceptions, is the record of work begun at that time and reaching down to the present Convention.

Harvard, Christ Church. - The Rev. Peter Arvedson.

RIGHT REVEREND FATHER IN GOD:

In this Parish I have officiated 23 Sundays, morning and evening, during the past year. The Services have been held in a very inconvenient and uninviting hall, used at other times for any and every purpose. The expectations of growth, entertained in last year's Report, have not been realized. The Services, as perhaps might have been foreseen under such unattractive circumstances, have been attended only by the faithful few; who have, however, in every way, manifested a real interest in the Services, and a willingness, to the full extent of their power, to sustain the Services. In this locality, no permanent footing can be gained for the Church, without a House of Worship. This place being a junction of railroads, might, with ultimate advantage, be now made a Missionary centre, from which to operate at adjacent points. Could a Missionary be located here for such purpose, supported by the Board, I doubt not a strenuous effort would be made by the people to build a House of Worship, and a sure foundation be laid for a permanent Parish here, and aggressive work at adjacent important points.

I have baptized, the past year, four children. The Holy Communion has been administered but once, the Missionary in charge, not being in Priest's Orders, to which may be, in a measure, attributed our indifferent success.

PETER ARVEDSON,
Missionary in Charge.

Henry, St. John's. - - *The Rev. Matthew Magill.*

Church Wardens—Thomas L. Davis, John Morgan, Jr.

Families, 15; Individuals not thus included, 10; Total of Souls, 80.

Baptisms—Adults, 5. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

Communicants—Received, 2; Removed, 5. Present Number, 17.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 1; Female, 6; Total, 7.

Scholars: Male, 24; Female, 32; Total, 56.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 10; Catechumens, 20.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 10.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 39; Other Days, 3; Total, 42.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 39; Other Days, 17; Total, 56.

Sermons, 98. Lectures and other Addresses, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$30.66; sale of Church Books, 15.95; Organist, and Sunday School Books and Papers, \$42.18; from various persons, for sundry purposes, 190.89. Total.... 279 68

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$279 68

This Parish was organized (by consent of the Bishop) last December, 1869, when the present Rector was called. Since then, the Parish has increased in its influence upon the community, many of whom had held very erroneous notions as to the true claims of the Church. These notions and false ideas have been removed, and the Church is steadily growing in the esteem of the religious portion of this community. The Parish is free from debt; the Church building is paid for, and the deed duly made to the Bishop, as Trustee of the Church, and is placed on record. The Church is now ready for consecration. The Rector hopes to be able to present to the Bishop, on his first visit, a class for confirmation. The congregations have been very good, and attentive. The Sunday School is held regularly every Sunday. The seed is being sown, and we are hopeful that, under the Divine blessing, when the harvest time comes, many sheaves will be found gathered from this field. This financial condition of the Parish is weak, having but a few who possess much of this world's wealth.

In addition to the duties performed at Henry, I baptized six children at Peru (that Parish being without a Rector), and buried one adult. These items are duly recorded, and I presume will be reported by the Wardens of that Parish.

I also spent October, 1869, in Canada, visiting children and relatives; was kindly received by several Clergymen of the Church. I read prayers and preached twice in Hamilton, and I also read prayers and preached twice at Brantford.

Hyde Park, St. Paul's. - *The Rev. Geo. F. Bugbee.*

Church Wardens—Allen Fisk, W. K. Ackerman.

Families, 45; Total of Souls, about 225.

Baptisms—Infants, 12; Adults, 1; Total, 13.

Burials, 5.

Communicants—Admitted, 1; Received, 20; Removed, 5.

Present Number, 45.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 6; Female, 4; Total, 10.

Scholars, 60.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12; Catechumens, 40.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 12; Other Days, 3; Total, 15.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 49; Other Days, 7; Total, 56.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 50; Other Days, 6; Total, 56.

Sermons, 92. Lectures and other Addresses, 13.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—By collections, subscriptions, etc.....\$2,015 00

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$23.00; Diocesan Fund, 82.00.

Total..... 105 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$2,120 00

During the year a very fine and attractive Rectory has been erected, at a cost of \$6,000. The Parish now has a church property valued at about \$30,000, which has been gathered in about the space of two years, and upon which there is a bonded debt of \$10,000, that runs for five years. There is, unquestionably, a prosperous future for this young enterprise. The growth of the last year has been considerable.

Jacksonville, Trinity. - - *The Rev. I. L. Townsend.*

Church Wardens—Henry Stryker, Isaac L. Morrison.

Families, 65; Individuals not thus included, 25; Total of Souls, 300.

Baptisms—Infants, 13.

Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 4. Burials, 10.

Communicants—Admitted, 4; Received, 7; Dropped, or not found, 4;

Removed, 6; Died, 4. Present Number, 102.

Sunday School—Teachers and Officers: Male, 4; Female, 9; Total, 13.

Scholars: Male, 26; Female, 43; Total, 69.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 9.

Holy Communion—Sundays, 13; Other Days, 2; Total, 15.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 50; Total, 102.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 50; Other Days, 15; Total, 65.

Sermons, 54. Lectures and other Addresses, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$60.45; Sunday School, Christmas Tree, \$31.11; Sunday School Library, 15.00; Parish Library, 15.00; Toward Baptismal Font, 164.00. Total... \$285 56

Diocesan.—For Destitute Clergymen, \$25.00; Diocesan Missions, 75.01; Diocesan Fund, 194.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 15.18; St. Mary's School, Knoxville, 22.01; St. Andrew's Church, Marsilles, 3.45. Total..... 334 65

General.—Domestic Missions, \$20.00; Foreign Missions, 14.20; Society for the Increase of the Ministry, 14.00; Home Missions for Colored People, 9.57; New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, 10.71; Church in Bolton, Miss., 4.00; Church in Salisbury, Mo., 3.00; Santee Sioux Indian Mission, (per Parish Dorcas Society), 5.00; Nashotah, 10.75; Midnight Mission, N. Y., 7.00; St. Mark's Church, Salt Lake, Utah, (from Sunday School), 12.30. Total.. 110 53

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$730 74

In the Report from this Parish, in 1867, mention is made of the fact that the Church was then being enlarged and improved. As nothing farther has appeared upon the Journal concerning it, I deem it proper to report at the present time. One bay, a chancel proper, and front towers and a spire were added, besides very great alteration and improvement within. It amounted almost to the rebuilding of the Church. The old walls, however, were left—a gratifying fact, when it is remembered that these were the first church walls erected in Illinois. The total cost was \$16,796.83. I regret to say that the old parsonage was sold, and the proceeds applied towards payment of the above, and that there still remains a debt of \$5,000, which presses like an incubus upon the Parish, and will bar all material progress until it is paid.

A Dorcas Society was organized by the ladies of the Parish, March 2d, 1869. Beside assisting some fellow parishioners, they have made up and sent off five boxes of clothing, to wit: To the Canfield Orphan Asylum, Memphis, Tenn., two boxes; to destitute Clergymen, outside the Diocese, two boxes; to the Santa Sioux Indian Mission, one box. Almost every Parish, one would suppose, might do a similar work, and the aggregate good that might thus be accomplished cannot be estimated.

A beautiful baptismal font of stone is being constructed in New York, from designs by and under the superintendence of Henry M. Congdon, Esq. It will cost \$200, and is expected daily.

For other duty done by the Rector of this Parish, reference is made to the Report of the Dean of the Middle Deanry.

Jerseyville, ——— - The Rev. Henry G. Perry, A.M.

Families, 20; Individuals not thus included, 10; Total of Souls, 85.

Baptisms—Infants, 12. Marriages, 3. Burials, 1.

Communicants—Admitted, 2; Received, 2; Removed, 1; Died, 1.
Present Number, 20.Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 5; Total, 7.
Scholars, 41.

Public Catechetical Instruction—At each Service.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 11; Other Days, 1; Total, 12.
Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 22; Other Days, 3; Total, 25.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 22; Other Days, 2; Total, 24.

Sermons, 49. Lectures and other Addresses, 3.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial. —Alms at Holy Communion, \$11.80; Sunday School, Incidental and General Parish Purposes, 89.10. Total.....	\$110 90
Diocesan. —Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.....	5 05
General. —Convocation Purposes.....	5 85

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$121 80

Similar mention, touching confirmation, may be made, that the same was prevented at Jerseyville, as at Carrollton, by the Bishop's sudden illness. Though Episcopal work here is barely begun, among sundry encouraging signs of "Episcopal progress," the offer already obtained by the Pastor (as at Carrollton also,) of a valuable lot for Church building purposes, is prominent. And it remains, apparently, but a question of time for the people, in such case, by unflinching, joint, *generous* effort, under the promised blessing of the Great Head of the Church, to provide a suitable edifice for Divine worship.

In company with the Church at Carrollton, Jerseyville has likewise made several excellent churchly additions to facilities for holding Sunday Services, and for which there is good cause to be thankful.

Joliet, Christ Church. - The Rev. Charles A. Gilbert.

Church Wardens—R. P. Denker, D. G. Wells.

Families, 88; Individuals not thus included, 16; Total of Souls, 352.

Baptisms—Infants, 16; Adults, 3; Total, 19.

Confirmed, 9. Marriages, 5. Burials, 4.

Communicants—Admitted, 9; Received, 6; Removed, 21; Died, 1.
Present Number, 99.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 12; Other Days, 4; Total, 16.
Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 26; Total, 78.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 48; Other Days, 23; Total, 71.

Sermons, 117.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$76.15; Church Organ, 249.27; Parish of St. Anne, Kankakee county, 22.38; Parish Purposes, 320.80. Total.....\$668 60

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions..... 26 50

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS... \$695 10

The Church is being enlarged by the addition of transepts. It is expected that the work will be completed and the Church reopened by the fifteenth of October. In many respects the general condition of the Parish is constantly improving.

In addition to my other duties I have officiated on alternate Sunday afternoons in the Parish Church of "St. Paul's, Manhattan." I have baptized two infants, and administered the Holy Communion once.

Kankakee, St. Paul's. - The Rev. Duane S. Phillips.

Church Wardens—William Sibley, Emory Cobb.

Families, 62; Individuals not thus included, 35; Total of Souls, 295.

Baptisms—Infants, 15; Adults, 15; Total, 30.

Confirmed, 22. Marriages, 4. Burials, 3.

Communicants—Admitted, 21; Received, 13; Removed, 14; Died, 1.

Present Number, 84.

Parish School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 4; Total, 6.

Scholars: Male, 50; Female, 30; Total, 80.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 5; Female, 9; Total, 14.

Scholars: Male, 68; Female, 83; Total, 151.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 35; Catechumens, 200.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 11; Other Days, 1; Total, 12.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 48; Other Days, 18; Total, 66.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 48; Other Days, 60; Total, 108.

Sermons, 116. Lectures and other Addresses, 50.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$86.82; Current Expenses for Music, 125.00; Sexton, 100.00; Fuel, Insurance, Repairs, etc., 300.00; Sunday School, 205.00. Total.... \$816 82

Diocesan.—Diocesan Fund, \$138.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 11.20; aid to St. Andrew's Church, Marseilles, 27.30; aid to Church of Good Shepherd, Momence, 175.00. Total..... 351 50

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$1,167 32

The Church in Kankakee is united, active and advancing. St. Paul's School continues its usefulness, though with a somewhat smaller number of pupils, owing to the opening of other schools in the place.

I have continued the work at Momence during the past year, and on the 23d of May last, had the gratification of organizing the "Church of the Good Shepherd" in that town. I have baptized four and presented three for confirmation. The number of Communicants is now 25, and of families, 20. The building of the Church edifice is going slowly forward. The field at Momence is a very promising one, but it is worked at great disadvantage from Kankakee. The distance is 13 miles, and no Railroad. It needs a man upon the ground.

Kewanee, St. John's. - The Rev. Thomas B. Fairchild.

Church Wardens—R. P. Parish, E. V. Bronson.

Families, 64; Individuals not thus included, 20.

Baptisms—Infants, 4; Adults, 4; Total, 8.

Confirmed, 10. Burials, 3.

Communicants—Admitted, 10; Removed, 3. Present Number, 88.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 3; Female, 6; Total, 9.

Scholars: Total, 110.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Ladies' Society for Church Purposes, \$110.00; Charity, 17.50; Repairs, 12.00; Other Expenses, 12.27. Total. \$151 77

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions..... 12 03

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$169 80

The Parish has been vacant nearly a year; but, notwithstanding, it has not lost ground. There are now a number who are waiting for confirmation. The Parish has assumed the support of its minister, who has just entered upon his duties, and so is not able to say much about it. He hopes, by a faithful presentation of the truth, and the blessing of God upon his labors, to see the Church built up and numbers added to the Lord. The Report is necessarily very meagre, but a more full one may be expected next year.

T. B. FAIRCHILD, *Rector.*

Knoxville, St. John's. - The Rev. C. W. Leffingwell.

Church Wardens—Wm. Hester, John Babington.

Families, 12; Individuals not thus included, 11; Total of Souls, 86.
 Baptisms—Infants, 2; Adult, 1; Total, 3.
 Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 1.
 Communicants—Present Number, 20.
 Holy Communion—Public, 10. Private, 3.
 Morning Prayer—Sundays, 40; Other Days, 3; Total, 43.
 Evening Prayer—Sundays, 44; Other Days, 10; Total, 54.
 Sermons, 50. Lectures and other Addresses, 50.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Church Debt and Expenses.....\$378 00
Diocesan.—Aged Clergy, \$7.00; Deanry Expenses, 5.00.
 Total..... 12 00
General.—Nashotah, \$10.00; Society for Increase of Ministry,
 15.00; Church in Mississippi, 7.00; Foreign Missions, 20.00; St.
 Mary's School, 10.00. Total..... 74 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$452 00

The Church Debt now amounts to about \$1,500.

Lewistown, St. James'.

Church Wardens—E. M. M. Clarke, D. W. C. Bryant.

Families, 20; Individuals not thus included, 11; Total of Souls, 102.
 Communicants—Received, 2; Removed, 3. Present Number, 26.
 Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 7; Total, 9.
 Scholars: Male, 10; Female, 32; Total, 42.
 Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 18; Catechumens, 36.
 Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 3. Private, 2.
 Morning Prayer—Sundays, 24.
 Evening Prayer—Sundays, 12.
 Sermons, 36.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion..... \$6.90.
Diocesan.—Diocesan Fund..... 35 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... 41 90

The foregoing Report does not compare favorably with that of the
 1st Conventional year, owing to the vacancy still existing in the

Rectorship of the Parish during the last ten months. From that cause, and from the want of a proper record of those matters about which information is required, the undersigned cannot make an exhibit more complete than that herewith submitted.

The condition of the Parish is believed to be, in all respects, as prosperous as at any time since its organization, and although its material growth has never been rapid, it has yet been steadily increasing. The congregation is small in number and of limited means, but united and harmonious, and presents gratifying indications of the continuance of steady growth.

The number of families and of individuals reported as connected with it, is less than last year, because it is deemed right to consider those, who, without adequate cause, habitually absent themselves from public worship as persons not belonging to the Parish.

The scholars in the Sunday School are less numerous, but the school is prosperous and flourishing under the prudent management of efficient and faithful teachers. The Parish, having a beautiful church edifice that is justly esteemed an ornament to the town, only needs a discreet and somewhat self-denying Pastor to become, in a short time, self-sustaining.

E. M. M. CLARKE,
Senior Warden.

Lee Centre, St. Paul's. - - - The Rev. T. H. Eddy.

Church Wardens—Clark E. Loomis, Richard Blake.

Families, 15; Individuals not thus included, 18; Total of Souls, 73.

Baptisms—Infants, 3. Marriages, 1.

Communicants—Admitted, 1. Present Number, 22.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 6; Other Days, 1; Total, 7.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 8; Other Days, 1; Total, 9.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 24.

Sermons, 33. Lectures and other Addresses, 5.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$9.65; Expenses, 16.00.	
Total.....	\$25 65
Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions.....	5 40

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$31 05

I have served this rural Parish in connection with Trinity Church, Polo. The congregations have been very much larger than would be indicated by the number accounted as belonging to the Parish; but the pecuniary ability of the little flock is very small, and both numbers and means will be reduced by the removal of four families and five communicants, who soon remove to the west.

Limestone, Christ Church. - The Rev. Philander Chase.

Church Wardens—James Clark, John Pritchard.

Families, 18; Individuals not thus included, 10; Total of Souls, 75.

Baptisms—Infants, 10; Adults, 2; Total, 12.

Burials, 8.

Communicants—Removed, 6; Died, 2. Present Number, 23.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 1; Female, 3; Total, 4.

Scholars: Male, 15; Female, 23; Total, 38.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 6.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 25.

Sermons, 25.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$18.71; at Semi-monthly Collections, 38.72. Total.....\$57 43

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$13.82; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 6.55. Total..... 20 37

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$77 80

This Parish is entirely rural, and, consequently, changes take place slowly. The congregation rely altogether on their crops for their sustenance, and, during the last two years, have suffered by the floods and drouth, so that they have found it difficult to maintain their Parish expenses. The Services have been kept up regularly by Lay Reading, and many young people attend. I cannot but hope that those who acquire the habit of attending our Services when young, in their rural homes, may (if by Providence placed in any of our towns or cities,) still retain their early attachment, and be the means of carrying the good seed in their hearts, to bless others also.

Lockport, St. John's. - - The Rev. William Turner.

Church Wardens—John Griswold, George Mess.

Families, 36; Individuals not thus included, 25; Total of Souls, 177.

Baptisms—Infants, 2. Burials, 2.

Communicants—Received, 1. Present Number, 32.

Sunday School—Teachers: Female, 7.

Scholars: Male, 15; Female, 35; Total, 50.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 6; Other Days, 1; Total, 7.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 25.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 25.

Sermons, 39. Lectures and other Addresses, 11.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$24.47; Church Improvements, 225.00. Total.....\$249 47

General.—Domestic Missions..... 15 65

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$265 12

The foregoing Report embraces the period from last Easter Sunday, when I took temporary charge of the Parish. It is not necessary to enter into details respecting the state in which I found it; suffice it to say, that it was *very badly prostrated*. I found the Church building in a dilapidated and uncomfortable condition. Within a few weeks after entering upon my work, it was shingled, painted and papered; the fence put in order, and the Church lot otherwise improved. A handsome chandelier, and side lamps to correspond, were also added, and regular evening Service instituted. Shortly after these improvements had been made, it became apparent that a larger place of worship was required. Accordingly a Parish meeting was held on Monday evening, July 11th, presided over by the Rev. SAMUEL COWELL, one of its former Rectors. The result of this mutual consultation was the adoption of resolutions to proceed at once to the erection of a new edifice, and the election of a "Building Committee," who were authorized to solicit subscriptions and donations. The result has been—the removal of the old building to the rear of the lot, and the foundation of the new one now being laid, and the decision of the Building Committee to have the corner stone laid on Tuesday afternoon, the 20th inst. We feel that God's blessing has attended our humble efforts, and to Him be all the praise. Amen.

WILLIAM TURNER.

Lockport, Sept. 12th, 1870.

Marengo, Advent. - - - - *The. Rev. John Cauch.*

Baptisms—Infants, 2.

I regret that I cannot report an improvement in the condition of this Parish. There has been no public Services during the past conventional year. All my ministerial services are included in two Infant Baptisms. During the year, I have read prayers and preached six times in Trinity Church, Belvidere, by request of the Rector and Vestry of that Parish.

Marseilles, St. Andrew's. - The Rev. Erastus De Wolf.

Church Wardens—Wm. C. Tillson, Wm. West.

Families, 23; Individuals not thus included, 6; Total of Souls, 107.

Baptisms—Infants, 5.

Confirmed, 5, Burials, 4.

Communicants—Admitted, 5; Received, 9; Removed, 3.

Present Number, 36.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 3; Female, 4; Total, 7.

Scholars: Male, 15; Female, 20; Total, 35.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 10. Other Days, 3. Total, 13.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 12; Total, 64.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 44; Other Days, 40; Total, 84.

Sermons, 106. Lectures and other Addresses, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—In aid of Rectory Fund, \$341.60; in aid of Rectory Furnishing, 125.00. Total.....\$466 60

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$10.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 3.50. Total..... 13 50

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$479 50

While, doubtless, with our brethren of the same household of faith everywhere, we have had many embarrassments and discouragements, both as regards things temporal and spiritual, during the conventional year just closing, yet there have certainly been “some tokens for good.”

As a Parish, from the very first, we have been *perfectly united*, and all have pressed forward as with one heart, voice, soul and strength to the great work before us. For this, the great secret of our success hitherto, we most heartily and sincerely thank God, and most fervently pray that it may *continue* to the promotion of His glory in the upbuilding of the church here and the salvation of souls. As a Parish, our growth during the year has been steady and healthy. Our families, communicants and attendants from without our pale have increased in numbers and interest, so much so, that our little chapel has usually been *well filled* and enlargement is already contemplated. As regards the temporalities of the Parish, the great work of the year has been that of building a rectory upon a lot adjoining our beautiful chapel. Our brethren from abroad have kindly contributed the sum of \$158.45 in aid of this work. They have our prayerful thanks for the same, as also for all previous favors. This timely aid, together with \$500 generously loaned the Parish without interest, has enabled us to complete a neat, ornate and commodious rectory, in which the rector and his family have been pleasantly settled since the 1st of July last. Truly God has been loving and gracious unto us, and for these and all His

unnumbered mercies and benefits we humbly and heartily bless and praise the triune God, and by His help, we will “*go forward*” with full trust and confidence in his power and willingness to remove all obstacles.

Mendon, Zion. - - - - *The Rev. Robert Ryall.*

Church Wardens—Aaron Cooke, Eli Banks.

Families, 22; Individuals not thus included, 11; Total of Souls, 160.

Baptisms—Infants, 2. Burials, 2.

Communicants—Died, 1. Present Number, 40.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 6; Female, 4; Total, 10.

Scholars: Male, 20; Female, 30; Total, 50.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 39.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 5; Other Days, 3; Total, 8.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 38; Other Days, 6; Total, 44.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 44; Other Days, 1; Total, 45.

Sermons, 89. Lectures and other Addresses, 2.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion.....	\$16 00
Diocesan.—Diocesan Fund.....	40 00
General.—Domestic Missions.....	18 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$74 00

I have been in charge of this Parish since Advent, 1869, and when looking upward at the words, “State of Parish,” under which it devolves on me to report, my reflection rests on the elements of which our congregation is composed, with more than wonted complacency—a faithful and affectionate, though long isolated community of Church people. I believe they are, for its course of current piety, as also being convinced of the wisdom of permanence, disposed to maintain the witness of the Church, even though inconvenient to their abilities. I trust, for their unexceptional kindness, that their Minister will be no less patient than they. As a congregation, we lose nothing. Our great want in externals is a building suitable to the advance of the community we are among. If we could be assisted with \$1,000 to help to raise another on our beautiful site, it is probable that a larger amount would be raised among themselves, and would furnish the Church with an instrument, enabling it to take something of its due position in the community. Perhaps wealthier portions of the Church would help them for the Universal Church’s sake.

ROBERT RYALL.

Metamora, Christ Church. - The Rev. A. B. Russell.

Church Wardens—Charles Rich, J. M. Clark.

Families, 8.

Baptisms—Infants, 3.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 3.

Communicants—Died, 2. Present Number, 11.

Holy Communion—Public, Sundays, 3.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 11.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion.....\$5 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$5 00

The loss of Dr. J. M. CLARK, Junior Warden, fallen suddenly in the prime of life, and at the height of usefulness, is a sad blow to the Parish, and his loss is deeply felt in the county, of whose schools he was superintendent. The effect of the protracted wet weather, in the early part of the season last year, made the few upon whom the expense comes feel unable to pledge any support to the Rector. The amount contributed by the Missionary Board has enabled him to keep up the Services, and thus keep alive the interest of the Parish. It is expected they will be able, another year, to do something for the support of the Services. The railroad is about completed through the town, and it is hoped a favorable result to the church in this place and vicinity will soon manifest itself.

By having the Service at 3 P. M., we have secured a full house, attendance being quite general. As the Services were only monthly, it has not been deemed advisable, under the circumstances, to withdraw the children from the Sunday Schools which they were attending.

Naperville, St. John's. - The Rev. J. Taylor Chambers.

Church Wardens—S. P. Stevens, James G. Wright.

Families, 27; Individuals not thus included, 50; Total of Souls, 150.

Baptisms—Infants, 6; Adults, 1; Total, 7.

Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4.

Communicants—Admitted, 6; Received, 6; Removed, 8; Died, 1.

Present Number, 60.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 3; Female, 8; Total, 11.

Scholars: Male, 43; Female, 39; Total, 82.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 52. Catechumens, 82.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 28; Other Days, 2; Total, 30.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 48; Total, 100.
 Evening Prayer—Sundays, 55; Other Days, 95; Total, 150.
 Sermons, 94. Lectures and other Addresses, 36.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$20.25; Building Fund, (for Rectory), 717.41; Incidental Expenses, 191.46; Sunday School Offerings, 124.44; Special Offerings, 48.05; Sunday School Library, etc., 35.55. Total.....\$1,137 16

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$56.75; Diocesan Fund, 97.08; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 7.70. Total..... 161 53

General.—Domestic Missions: Young Christian Soldiers, 8.25; Mite Chests, 16.71. Total..... 24 96

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$1,323 65

During the past year, a handsome Marble Font, made in Florence, Italy, has been placed in the Church, generously presented by Mrs. EVELYN BRAINARD, and serves as a memorial to her departed sister, Miss ROSALIE SLEIGHT.

Also, a convenient and comfortable Rectory, costing about \$2,600, has been erected on the lot adjoining the Church, and is now occupied by the Rector. The Church and inclosure have been repainted.

During the Lenten Season, there was daily Service and a weekly celebration of the Holy Communion. Services, on several occasions, have been holden in a section of the county known as "Cass," some ten miles from town, where there are many English folk.

Onarga, Trinity. - - - - *The Rev. W. M. Steel.*

Church Wardens—Horace Pinney, George Phillippo.

Families, 18; Individuals not thus included, 2; Total of Souls, 94.

Baptisms—Infants, 2.

Marriages, 2. Burials, 1.

Communicants—Removed, 1. Present Number, about 20.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 1; Female, 4; Total, 5.

Scholars: Male, 8; Female, 12; Total, 20.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 3; Catechumens, 20.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 7.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 19; Other Days, 1; Total, 20.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 20.

Sermons, 36.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion.....\$14 83

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$14 83

Ottawa, Christ Christ. - The Rev. Wm. W. Estabrook.

Church Wardens—William Osman, George J. Burgess.

Families, 78; Individuals not thus included, 23; Total of Souls, 343.
Baptisms—Infants, 6.

Confirmed, 13. Marriages, 5. Burials, 7.

Communicants—Admitted, 12; Received, 2; Removed, 6.
Present Number, 83.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 1; Female, 12; Total, 13.

Scholars: Male, 37; Female, 60; Total, 97.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 15; Catechumens, 40.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 15; Other Days, 2; Total, 17.
Private, 11.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 49; Other Days, 10; Total, 59.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 45; Other Days, 18; Total, 63.

Sermons, 107. Lectures and other Addresses, 9.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$102.40; Sunday School
Easter Offering for Memorial Window, 28.49; Sunday School, 95.40;
Ladies' Society, 750.00; Weekly Collections, 104.49. Total, \$1,080 78

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$36.92; Diocesan Fund, 129.00;
Paid to Rev. C. P. Clarke, 5.00. Total..... 170 92

General.—Domestic Missions..... 15 60

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$1,267 30

The preliminary arrangements have been perfected for the erection of a new Church edifice. We intend to progress with the work this fall as far as the season will permit, and we hope to have the Church completed by the 1st of August next.

Your obedient servant in the Church of Christ,

W. W. ESTABROOK.

Paris, Grace. - - - - The Rev. R. Trewartha.

Church Warden—James W. Binford.

Families, 13; Individuals not thus included, 20; Total of Souls, 60.

Baptisms—Infants, 1. Marriages, 2.

Communicants—Received, 2; Removed, 2. Present Number, 15.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 3; Total, 5.

Scholars: Male, 12; Female, 10; Total, 22.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 6; Catechumens, 10.
Morning Prayer—Sundays, 13.
Evening Prayer—Sundays, 13.
Sermons, 26.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial—\$60.00; Prayer Books, 5.00. Total.....\$65 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....	\$65 00
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The Minister and Vestry would embrace this opportunity to record their grateful sense of the kindness and Christian liberality of those friends who contributed towards the erection of our church. It is Gothic in its design. The zeal with which the parishioners engaged in this enterprize cannot be too highly commended.

The Parish has been severely tried ; still, for the blessing attending our efforts, both temporal and spiritual, we go on our way rejoicing, knowing that we are on our way to a better country.

It is in our own weakness, and in our humble sense of weakness, that we are strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might.

The present Minister entered upon his duties on the fifteenth of June; such will account for the meagre list of statistics.

Peoria, St. John's. - - - The Rev. John Benson.

Church Wardens—Henry I. Chase, Samuel Wilkinson.

Baptisms—Infants, 16. Marriages, 3. Burials, 5.

Communicants—Present Number, 59.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 7; Total, 9.
Scholars, 80.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 10.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 11; Other Days, 2; Total, 13.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 120; Total, 172.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 50; Other Days, 49; Total, 99.

Sermons, 95. Lectures and Other Addresses, 28.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$25.93; Weekly Offering, 699.54; Other sources, 221.58. Total..... \$947 05

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$38.35; Diocesan Fund, 97.88;	
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 11.05. Total.....	147 28

General.—Domestic Missions.....	7 00
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TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$1,101 33

Peoria, St. Paul's. - - - *The Rev. James W. Coe.*

Church Wardens—Alex. G. Tyng, Matthew Griswold.

Families, 92.

Baptisms—Infants, 15. Marriages, 4. Burials, 6.

Communicants—Received, 10; Removed, 8; Died, 1.

Present Number, 139.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 3; Female, 11; Total, 14.

Scholars, 125.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 10; Other Days, 1; Total, 11.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 39; Other Days, 13; Total, 52.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 39; Other Days, 27; Total, 66.

Sermons, 96.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$147.60; On account of Convention, dues, 67.76; Offering divided between Revs. Mr. Thompson and Nash, 63.20. Total.....\$278 56

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions..... 58 00

General.—Foreign Missions..... 26 60

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$363 16

Pittsfield, St. Stephen's. - *The Rev. J. Nelson Hume.*

Church Wardens—John Boothby, J. S. Mullen.

Families, 20; Individuals not thus included, 3; Total of Souls, 114.

Baptisms—Infants, 1.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

Communicants—Admitted, 5; Received, 1. Present Number, 24.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 1; Female, 3; Total, 4.

Scholars: Male, 10; Female, 20; Total, 30.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 1; Catechumens, 5.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 3.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 13.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 13.

Sermons, 26. Lectures and other Addresses, 3.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$11.30; Sunday School Purposes, 176.35; Church Furniture, 10.00; Organ, 250.00; Other Purposes, 16.44. Total.....\$464 09

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.\$464 09

RIGHT REVEREND AND DEAR BISHOP:

The present state of this (St. Stephen's) Parish appears quite healthy, and of fair promise of future prosperity. There is a good attendance, excellent order, and a very earnest spirit of devotion at all the Services. Three months ago, I found them a "little flock" that had been without a visible Shepherd nearly two years, but by the providential care and keeping of the Great Invisible Shepherd, were mercifully preserved from fatal injury by the devourer, and now they "thank God and take courage."

J. N. HUME, *Rector.*

Polo, Trinity. - - - The Rev. Thomas Hooker Eddy.

Church Wardens—John R. Phelps, John Jay Thompson.

Families, 15; Individuals not thus included, 25; Total of Souls, 78.
Baptisms—Infants, 7.

Communicants—Removed, 4; Died, 1. Present Number, 16.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 5; Total, 7.

Scholars: Total, 46.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 20; Catechumens, 30.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 8; Other Days, 2; Total, 10.
Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 25; Other Days, 13; Total, 38.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 25; Other Days, 17; Total, 42.

Sermons, 62. Lectures and other Addresses, 22.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Sunday School, \$3.20; Charity, 21.00; Contingent Expenses, 30.00. Total.....\$54 20

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$11.50; Diocesan Fund, 20.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 3.00. Total..... 34 50

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$88 70

My report is from October 1st, at which time I took charge of this Parish together with St. Paul's, Lee Centre, giving alternate weeks to each Parish.

Princeton, Redeemer. - The Rev. Geo. F. Cushman, D.D.

Church Wardens—Ferdinand Horton, Thomas M. Woodruff.

Families, 30; Individuals not thus included, 12; Total of Souls, 112.

Baptisms—Infants, 9; Adults, 1; Total, 10.

Confirmed, 6.

Communicants—Admitted, 7; Received, 6; Removed, 5.

Present Number, 28.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 3; Female, 5; Total, 8.

Scholars: Male, 8; Female, 24; Total, 32.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 14; Other Days, 1; Total, 16.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 49; Other Days, 13; Total, 62.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 48; Other Days, 6; Total, 54.

Sermons, 107.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$41.45; Other Collections, 70.07; Sunday School, 8.51; Ladies' Social, 642.41.

Total.....\$762 44

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$14.00; Diocesan Fund, 44.40; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 3.00. Total..... 61 40

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$823 84

By the aid of liberal friends abroad, the Church has been painted and furnished with carpets, lights and other suitable appliances. We desire, especially, to mention the very handsome chancel furniture, in black walnut, the munificent gift of Mrs. S. M. COMBES, Brooklyn, N. Y.; the Communion Service, from St. John Evangelist Sunday School, N. Y., through the instrumentality of Mr. WALTER H. MOORE, Superintendent, and Alms Basins, in oak and lettered, from St. Mark's Sunday School, Warren, R. I.

Some progress has been made in liquidation of the debt which burdens the Parish and makes even its liberality seem like selfishness, so large a portion of its alms return to itself. So must it be for several years to come.

The Parish is of one heart and mind, and zealously affected in good works. All its statistics show progress, whereupon we thank God and take courage.

Providence Prairie, ——— The Rev. F. B. Nash.

Families, 12. Communicants, 12. Baptisms, 2.

Quincy, St. John's. — The Rev. Sidney Corbett, B. D.

Church Wardens—F. C. Moore, H. A. Williamson.

Families, 100; Individuals not thus included, 200; Total of Souls, 700.

Baptisms—Infants, 25; Adults, 5; Total, 30.

Marriages, 9. Burials, 16.

Communicants—Removed, 20; Died, 8. Present Number, 200.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 3; Female, 25; Total, 28.
Scholars, 200.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12; Catechumens, 200.

Holy Communion—Sundays, 12; Other Days, 5; Total, 17.
Private, 5.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 41; Other Days, 14; Total, 55.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 41; Other Days, 40; Total, 81.

Lectures and other Addresses, 103.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$163.28; Sunday Collections, 254.85; Gave Bishop Vail for Missions in Kansas, 163.15; St. Mary's Hall, Knoxville, 100.00; Diocese of Oregon, (Sunday School collection,) 100.00. Total..... \$781 28

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$51.00; Diocesan Fund, 349.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 37.15. Total..... 437 15

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$1,218 43

For the two years last past, the city of Quincy has not been so prosperous as formerly. Our merchants have made no money, and our population has somewhat decreased. Notwithstanding such drawbacks, our Parish has held its own; has met all its liabilities; has more pews rented than ever before, and may be regarded as in a healthy and hopeful condition. Three new railroads are in course of construction, which give promise of a better future for our city; and when that promise reaches fruition, our Parish will also be bettered. Our report, then, is "PROGRESS."

Robin's Nest, Christ Church. - The Rev. Samuel Chase.

Church Wardens—Joseph Mayo, John Moss.

Families, 22; Individuals not thus included, 60; Total of Souls, 175.
Baptisms—Infants, 4.

Burials, 3.

Communicants—Received, 3; Removed, 5. Died, 1.
Present Number, 80.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 3; Female, 4; Total, 7.

Scholars: Male, 23; Female, 12; Total, 35.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 12; Other Days, 3; Total, 15.
Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 11; Total, 63.

Sermons, 58. Lectures and other Addresses, 27.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$44.36; Sunday School Library and Papers, 28.00; Repairs on Chapel, 56.50; Rental of Slips in Chapel, 329.00. Total.....\$457 86

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$38.33; Diocesan Fund, 35.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 17.90; St. Mary's School, Knoxville, 16.13. Total.....\$107 36

General.—Domestic Missions, \$37.70; Foreign Missions, 16.45; Increase of the Ministry, 9.13. Total..... 63 28

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$628 50

Rockford, Emmanuel. - - - The Rev. J. E. Walton.

Church Wardens—R. P. Lane, — Hurd.

Families, 81; Individuals not thus included, 40; Total of Souls, 467. Baptisms—Infants, 10; Adult, 2; Total, 12.

Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 9. Burials, 4.

Communicants—Admitted, 4; Received, 3; Removed, 2; Died, 2. Present Number, 50.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 11; Total, 13.

Scholars, 90.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 4.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 12; Other Days, 2; Total, 14. Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 50.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 46; Other Days, 8; Total, 54.

Sermons, 90. Lectures and other Addresses, 10.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$42.00; Sunday Contributions, 120.00. Total.....\$162 00

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions..... 33 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$195 00

Rock Island, Trinity. - - - The Rev. T. I. Holcomb.

Church Wardens—H. H. Mayo, Richard Crompton.

Families, 70; Individuals not thus included, 40; Total of Souls, 350.

Baptisms—Infants, 22; Adults, 4; Total, 26.

Marriages, 4. Burials, 5.

Communicants—Admitted, 2. Died, 2.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 4; Female, 8; Total, 12.

Scholars, 150.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 32.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 10; Other Days, 1; Total, 11.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 50; Other Days, 20; Total, 70.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 49; Other Days, 28; Total, 77.

Sermons, 85. Lectures and other Addresses, 12.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$93.82; Contingent Fund and Church Building Fund, 8,280.00; from Sunday School, 100.00; for Parish Ladies' Society, 1,000.00; Weekly Fund, 600.00. Total.....\$10,081 78

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$20.00; Diocesan Fund, 124.50; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 13.78; for St. Mary's, Knoxville, 14.50. Total..... 142 78

General.—Domestic Missions, \$63.25; Education for the Ministry, 25.00. Total..... 88 25

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$10,302 81

Salem, St. Thomas' - The Rev. John Wesley Osborne.

Church Warden—Robert H. Whittaker.

Families, 3; Individuals not thus included, 19; Total of Souls, 26.

Communicants—Received, 1; Removed, 1. Present Number, 4.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 3.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 3.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 3.

Sermons, 6. Lectures and other Addresses, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion.....\$5 62

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$5 62

Our greatest difficulty is in getting a suitable place in which to worship. We cannot get the use of any of the meeting-houses, unless we give the Sunday morning collection. We have some money at interest to build the church with, but not sufficient to finish it.

Springfield, St. Paul's. - - The Rev. Frank M. Gregg.

Church Wardens—Samuel H. Treat, Robert P. Johnston.

Families, 183; Individuals not thus included, 100; Total of Souls, 942.

Baptisms—Infants, 45; Adults, 3; Total, 48.

Confirmed, 8. Marriages, 9. Burials, 13.

Communicants—Admitted, 9; Received, 7; Died, 7.

Present Number, 199.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 9; Female, 21; Total, 30.

Scholars: Male, 50; Female, 100; Total, 150.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 15.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 100; Other Days, 52; Total, 152.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 96.

Sermons, 112.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$210.49; For Improvements on Rectory, Church Edifice, Current Expenses, etc., 2,384.44; Sunday School, 262.36. Total.....\$2,857 29

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$72.55; Diocesan Fund, 286.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 39.50. Total..... 398 05

General.—Domestic Missions, 27.43; Southern Churches, 61.68; Sunday School for Bishop Pierce, 77.03; Society for the Increase of the Ministry, 123.00. Total..... 289 14

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$3,544 48

The Rector has been in charge of the Parish only four months, and the Report made includes the administration of the Rev. H. N. PIERCE, D. D., (now Bishop of Arkansas,) from the date of last report to January, 1870, the work of the Rev. H. G. PERRY, for two months in charge of the Parish, and the work done by the Rev. G. P. WALDO on ten Sundays while the Parish was vacant.

Within the past four months, over three hundred pastoral calls have been made, a complete Family Register has been compiled, a Church Guild organized, with one hundred members, and a Parish Directory published, and the Parish is now well organized for work.

The public Services have been very much improved and inspired by the establishment of antiphonal singing with double choirs, and the growing congregations indicate renewed interest and life. The Sunday School is growing rapidly, in consequence of a more thorough organization, and a lot, well located for a Mission School, has just been secured by donation of James Brown, a member of the Parish.

The Rector finds many willing hands and warm hearts to assist him in his work, and, with the Divine blessing, he hopes for good results in the future.

St. Anne, ——— The Rev. Charles B. Guillemont.

Church Wardens—Laurent Chaillé, Alexis Blanchet.

Families, 29; Individuals not thus included, 9; Total of Souls, about 172.

Baptisms—Infants, 16. Marriages, 2. Burials, 3.

Communicants—Admitted, 4; Died, 1. Present Number, 61.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 1; Total, 3.

Scholars: Male, 16; Female, 13; Total, 29.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 32; Catechumens, 60.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 12; Other Days, 2; Total, 14.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 5; Total, 57.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 18; Other Days, 45; Total, 63.

Sermons, 75. Lectures and other Addresses, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

General.—Domestic Missions.....\$4 25

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$4 25

For more than five years, I have been working in this Missionary field with courage, through hard circumstances and trials, and, under Divine blessings, with evident progress and satisfying result despite three main hindrances.

1. *Poverty of nearly all our Families.*—They have hardly one good crop in an average of three years. Too much rain, extreme heat, and too early frost are their most common and terrible enemies. Struggling for daily support, they cannot really contribute anything, and it is a too well known fact that, in a religious body, spiritual prosperity suffers by, and in proportion to, material wants. Earth aids Heaven.

2. *Sects.*—Three sects, in this small town, are at work, day and night, to make converts. To say the truth, they take the surest and most effective way—*they give*; they constantly keep in store, for the hour of need, barrels of flour, clothing, shoes, etc. Poor people are naturally inclined to think best, and to adhere in preference, to a church which more charitably pities their distress, more liberally supplies their wants. As to myself, living on a very scanty salary, I have nothing to give out of my own resources. On the other hand, as no relief ever but once came to my destitute families, it follows that I am left to my feeble voice, and to the naked charm of the truth, to keep up and try to increase our little and interesting flock.

3. *Great Scattering.*—Our families live here and there, four, six, ten miles from church. It would be of great value to visit them often, to make their homes as many meeting places for weekly prayer and preaching. I do this as often as practicable, but yet too seldom to realize all the advantage possible. My usual vehicle, by good and bad weather, are my two unfortunate feet, while my Rev. Brothers, of all

belief or unbelief, ride easily on good and comfortable buggies, very politely splashing me in passing. Were I favored with the same conveyance by the Board of Missions, I dare promise, with nothing, to win more souls to the church than any Minister here does to his sect, though with hands full of gifts.

I say again, there is much good to do here. Let me have, at least, the elementary means to realize it. I earnestly ask to fight the good fight, but give me the indispensable arms.

Sterling, Grace. - - - *The Rev. J. E. Goodhue.*

Church Wardens—Gabriel Davis, Lorenzo Hapgood.

Families, 50; Individuals not thus included, 50; Total of Souls, 250.

Baptisms—Infants, 25; Adults, 5; Total, 30.

Confirmed, 14. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3.

Communicants—Admitted, 3; Received, 6; Removed, 5.

Present Number, 40.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 6; Female, 4; Total, 10.

Scholars: Male, 45; Female, 50; Total, 95.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 16; Other Days, 1. Total, 17.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 8; Total, 60.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 47; Other Days, 6; Total, 53.

Sermons, 105. Lectures and other Addresses, 8.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$59.21; Christmas Tree for Sunday School, 55.00; New Organ, 225.00; Special Collection for the Poor, 3.80; Sunday School Purposes, 39.80. Total.....\$382 81

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$5.95; Diocesan Fund, 50.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 5.75. Total..... 61 70

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$444 51

The Parish is in a hopeful condition. It has met with many reverses and discouragements; but there are a faithful few who are determined to make sacrifices and labor for better times. A debt incurred in building their Church has done much to cripple their energies. This they hope to remove this present season. When it is done, they hope to be able to do more for benevolent purposes. The Sunday School continues large and flourishing.

Of the Baptisms reported, fourteen were at Morrison Mission, and also *nine* of the Confirmations. In addition to my own parochial work, I have held Services occasionally at Fulton, Morrison, Como and other places.

Stone Prairie, ——— - - - The Rev. Philip B. Lyon.

Families, 3; Individuals not thus included, 10; Total of Souls, 30.
 Baptisms—Infants, 2. Confirmed, 2.
 Communicants—Admitted, 5. Present Number, 7.
 Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 2; Total, 4.
 Scholars: Male, 10; Female, 20; Total, 30.
 Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 20; Catechumens, 30.
 Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 2.
 Morning Prayer—Sundays, 20.
 Sermons, 10. Lectures and other Addresses, 5.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion.....\$10 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$10 00

We have Services once a month in the Masonic Hall; Sunday School, most of the time, every Sunday. I have introduced the Church Services at two points on the Hannibal & Naples Railroad, viz.: Kinderhook once; twice at Barry, in the City Hall, which has been kindly placed at our service as often as we wish to use it. This point, *Barry*, (midway between Hannibal and Naples,) is a point that has some few Church people, but has never had the Church Services introduced there before, as I learn. I propose to have Services there once a month, as long as I can, till winter prevents, being nine miles distant. I hope the Bishop will be able to send a Missionary there to look up the lost sheep on that line of railroad. Griggsville is another good point I have been invited to, but so far, have been unable to go.

Tiskilwa, St. Jude's. - - - The Rev. F. B. Nash.

Church Wardens—Oliver Milling, Francis Lefavor.

Families, 35; Individuals not thus included, 20; Total of Souls, 280.
 Baptisms—Infants, 4; Adults, 3; Total, 7.
 Confirmed, 9. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3.
 Communicants—Admitted, 5; Received, 1; Removed, 6.
 Present Number, 50.
 Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 3; Female, 6; Total, 9.
 Scholars: Male, 25; Female, 35; Total, 60.
 Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 10; Other Days, 1; Total, 11.
 Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 2; Total, 54.
 Evening Prayer—Sundays, 36.
 Sermons, 90. Lectures and other Addresses, 40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial. —Alms at Holy Communion, \$20.00; Parish Purposes, 150.00. Total.....	\$170 00
Diocesan. —Diocesan Fund, \$25.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 15.00. Total.....	40 00
General. —Domestic Missions, \$9.50; Foreign Missions, 14.00. Total.....	23 50
TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....	\$233 50

Warsaw, St. Paul's. - - The Rev. Wm. M. Reynolds.

Church Warden—John W. Marsh.

Families, 25; Individuals not thus included, 12; Total of Souls, 150.
 Baptisms—Infants, 5; Adults, 1; Total, 6.
 Marriages, 2. Burials, 3.
 Communicants—Admitted, 3; Received, 2; Removed, 6; Died, 1.
 Present Number, 20.
 Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 2; Female, 10; Total, 12.
 Scholars: Male, 30; Female, 45; Total, 75.
 Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 8; Catechumens, 20.
 Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 8; Other Days, 2; Total, 10.
 Morning Prayer—Sundays, 33; Other Days, 2; Total, 35.
 Evening Prayer—Sundays, 30; Other Days, 23; Total, 53.
 Sermons, 65. Lectures and other Addresses, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial. —Alms at Holy Communion, \$35.00; Current Expenses, 25.00. Total.....	\$60 00
Diocesan. —Diocesan Fund, \$3.00; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 9.00. Total.....	12 00
TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....	\$72 00

This Report includes only *eight months'* service in the Parish of St. Paul's, Warsaw, at the end of which, (June 1, 1870), I resigned the charge of the Parish. The Parish lost, during this time, an unusually large number of its members by removal, and its Senior Warden, the late **HON. PIERRE A. BARKER**, by death. His place had not been supplied by a new election at the time of my removal. The Parish is greatly weakened by these losses, and will require liberal Missionary aid to enable it to have the regular services of a Minister. I also continued to officiate at Zion Church, Mendon, until the 1st of November, when I withdrew, in order that the Parish might make an effort to sustain a Rector, whose whole time should be devoted to them. They

had, accordingly, called the Rev. R. RYALL, who entered upon his duties there about the beginning of the present year. Since my removal to Chicago, I have officiated two Sundays for St. Peter's, Sycamore; three for the Church of the Ascension, Chicago; two for Calvary Church; and one for St. John's, in the absence of their several Rector's, besides assisting upon other occasions in the Churches of the Ascension, Grace, and the Epiphany.

Waukegan, Christ Church. - The Rev. S. B. Duffield.

Church Wardens—William Besley, Charles R. Steele.

Families, 78; Total of Souls, 300.

Baptisms—Infants, 5; Adults, 4; Total, 9.

Confirmed, 14. Marriages, 6. Burials, 2.

Communicants—Admitted, 14; Received, 8; Removed, 5.

Present Number, 103.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 4; Female, 8; Total, 12.

Scholars: Male, 46; Female, 54; Total, 100.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 12; Catechumens, 100.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 14; Other Days, 2; Total, 16.

Private, 3.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 49; Other Days, 36; Total, 85.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 47; Other Days, 59; Total, 106.

Sermons, 96. Lectures and other Addresses, 62.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$94.36; for General Expenses, 2,316.47; Sunday School Offerings, 56.29; Christmas Festival, 95.00; Library, 24.50. Total.....\$2,586 62

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$39.38; Diocesan Fund, 133.01; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, 7.50; St. Mary's School, Knoxville, 74.00. Total..... 253 89

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$2,840 51

This Parish continues prosperously in spiritual and temporal things. Communicants have increased. The Rector's salary has been raised. The Parish owes no man anything. My brethren of the clergy, from abroad, kindly assisted during Lent in this Parish. Two daily Services were sustained throughout the Holy Fast. The Parish Library has been largely increased, and is now a valuable collection of entertaining and instructive reading. Improvements for heating the Church have been made during the year, and a new organ purchased. Responsive congregational singing, I am happy to state, has taken the place of delegated praise, and God's blessing is plainly manifested in the truer, warmer expression of this portion of the public worship by the congregation.

Wilmington, Redeemer. - - *The Rev. Henry Safford.*

Church Wardens—Jas. A. Johnson, H. Thomas C. McGuire.

Families, 35; Total of Souls, 150.

Baptisms—Infants, 24. Marriages, 2. Burials, 2.

Communicants—Present Number, 39.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 3; Female, 6; Total, 9.

Scholars: Male, 16; Female, 47; Total, 63.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 52.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 6; Other Days, 1; Total, 7.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 23; Other Days, 12; Total, 35.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 23; Other Days, 18; Total, 41.

Sermons, 46. Lectures and Other Addresses, 25.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$18.88; Incidental Expenses, 215.00; Sunday School Offerings, 38.52; Paid Debts, 320.00. Total.....\$692 40

Diocesan.—Diocesan Fund, \$141.64; Bonded Debt, 39.35. Total..... 180 99

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$773 39

The above Report reaches back only to the time when the present Rector became connected with the Parish. The past year has been one of great depression and of many discouragements. The flock is a small and feeble one, but we hope for growth.

Wyoming, St. Luke's. - - *The Rev. Thos. N. Benedict.*

Church Wardens—Henry A. Holst, Jeremiah G. Greene.

Families, 20; Individuals not thus included, 10; Total of Souls, 70.

Baptisms—Infants, 17; Adults, 1; Total, 18.

Marriages, 1.

Communicants—Received, 3; Removed, 3. Present Number, 21.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 3; Female, 3; Total, 6.

Scholars: Male, 20; Female, 30; Total, 50.

Public Catechetical Instruction—Number Times, 52.

Holy Communion—Public: Sundays, 14.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 52; Other Days, 36; Total, 88.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 32.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$45.59; Other Parochial Purposes, 496.42. Total.....\$542 01

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions..... 8 40

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$550 41

OTTAWA, Ill., Sept. 10, 1870.

RIGHT REVEREND H. J. WHITEHOUSE, Bishop of Illinois:

Mr. CLARKE is quite ill; not able to make out a Report. At his request, I write to say that he has officiated twice, and administered the Holy Communion at the Church of the Redeemer, Princeton, Bureau county, Ill.; also, that he has married one couple.

CHARLES P. CLARKE,

Per Mrs. C. P. CLARKE.

LOCKPORT, Sept. 12, 1870.

RIGHT REVEREND BISHOP WHITEHOUSE:

DEAR SIR—I was compelled, through failing health and the remoteness of the Parish, to discontinue, last fall, my services at St. Paul's Church, Manhattan. The statistics of the Church will be furnished by the Wardens of the same.

Since that period I have officiated fortnightly at New Lenox, Will County. With commendable zeal this new missionary parish have recently erected a tasteful Gothic building, with recess chancel, stained glass windows, capable of seating probable from 250 to 300 persons. It was opened for Divine Service September 4. It is designated Grace Church. The names of the Wardens are Thomas Jones and Edward Laurene.

The Parish ministered unto some time since, with just approval, at New Lenox, is fast growing in strength and zeal, and all good works. The acorn is growing up into the oak, and, like many village churches, will, after a while, be self-supporting, while Rural Parishes, as Manhattan, will hardly live. It is gratifying to me, since my twelve years' residence in the State, to see the Church in this County waking into new life. Wilmington has a handsome Church, and is, I believe, self-supporting. Joliet is about to enlarge its building. Lockport is erecting the finest Church structure in the County. New Lenox opened its handsome edifice yesterday. Peotine and Plainfield both need a Church, and, had I the strength, I would lay the foundation, with the help of the Lord. There are several Episcopal families in the former place, and distance alone prevents my visiting them. We have ten Vestymen in New Lenox. The names of the Wardens you will recall as formerly connected with the Church at Manhattan.

When the building is completed I shall be happy to have it consecrated to the Lord at your hands. The opening Services, yesterday, were very glad. It was a great day of jubilee; the day beautiful; the crowd unable to find entrance; Church people from Manhattan, Lockport, Joliet, New Lenox; the Joliet choir and choice music; three surplices in the Chancel; an eloquent, manly sermon, from Rev. Mr. TURNER, upon the text, "The Lord is in his Holy Temple: let all the earth keep silence before him;" a large collection and a generous hospitality.

Altogether it was pleasing to those who worship in the good old ways of our fathers. And now we desire a Missionary for Manhattan and New Lenox. My services have been, thus far, gratuitous. I have no missionary aid. I shall probably be a parishioner at Lockport after I have secured a missionary for this field of labor. I hope you will bear us in mind. The new churches can probably raise, at the start, about \$400.00 per church.

New Lenox has her hands full in completing the edifice; for the Parish by no means abounds in worldly wealth, and, besides, to a considerable extent its material is new. Its people lean to our Church as a sort of escape from Methodism and a religion that is too much emotional in its character.

I am reminded, while thus writing you in the missionary interest, of the same subject upon which I corresponded with you in 1849, when you resided in New York. I have just read again your letter of December 18, 1849, addressed to me in Pennsylvania. What changes have intervened! what vast strides in the Missionary work since then! You spoke of San Francisco as comparatively a new field of labor. What is it now? With Bishops, Presbyters and Deanries *scattered among the mountains*, not like Waldenses of old, a persecuted race but brave and stalwart men of the Cross, pioneers in God's own way of salvation. Twenty years in these times is almost an age. May God enable us, who are privileged to live in these eventful times, to be faithful to His work, and prepare us to meet the Lord of the Vineyard whensoever He shall come.

I remain, very truly yours, in the Lord,
SAM'L COWELL.

TO THE RT. REV. H. J. WHITEHOUSE, D. D., LL.D., &c.,
Bishop of the Diocese of Illinois:

RT. REVEREND AND BELOVED BISHOP—I have incidentally rendered services in different places in the Diocese of Pittsburg, Pa., as follows:

April 10, 1870.—In Christ Church, Alleghany City, Pa.

April 17.—In St. Peter's Church, Uniontown, Pa., (assisting the Rector in the administration of the Holy Communion). Also, the same day, P. M., in Grace Church, Van Allen, administering the Holy Communion.

April 23.—Assisted the Rector of Christ Church, Alleghany City, Pa., in the Service, and preached in the evening.

March 1.—Conducted the Service in All Saints' Chapel, Pittsburg, administering the Holy Communion, and preached in the forenoon.

March 8.—The same; same place.

Maunday Thursday.—Assisted the Rector of Christ Church, Alleghany City, in administration of Holy Communion.

Whit Sunday.—Conducted Services, forenoon and afternoon, in Trinity Church, Freeport, Pa., administering the Holy Communion and preaching.

Trinity Sunday.—The same in Trinity Church, Blairsville, Pa. In the afternoon, administered Holy Communion to a sick lady in Freeport, Pa.

First Sunday after Trinity.—Assisted at Grace Church, Mt. Washington, Pa.

Second Sunday.—Preached and conducted Services; same place.

Third Sunday.—Conducted Services, forenoon and afternoon, in the Episcopal Church, New Brighton. Pa.

Fourth Sunday.—Conducted Services and preached in Grace Church, Mt. Washington, Pa.

Fifth Sunday.—The same in St. James' Church, Pittsburg, Pa.

Sixth Sunday.—The same in St. John's Church, Pittsburg, Pa.

Seventh Sunday.—The same in Trinity Church, Freeport, Pa.; also, Holy Communion.

Eighth Sunday.—Assisted the Rector of Christ Church, Alleghany City, Pa.

Ninth Sunday.—Conducted a *Mission Service*, in connection with the Rev. B. F. BROOKE, Rector of Christ Church, Alleghany City, Pa.—incidentally in Washington Township, Holmes county, Ohio—delivering a sermon.

Tenth Sunday.—Assisted the Rector of Christ Church, Alleghany City, in the Service and Holy Communion; addressing the children at afternoon Service.

Eleventh Sunday.—Preached in St. John's Church, Pittsburg, Pa. In the afternoon held a special Service in Alleghany City, Pa., and administered the Sacrament of Baptism; also attended the funeral of a child.

Twelfth Sunday.—Assisted the Rector of Christ Church, Alleghany City, Pa.

Thirteenth Sunday.—Assisted the Rector of Calvary Church, East Liberty, at afternoon Service.

These are extracts from minutes made of services rendered. I have simply served when and where invited; and I have had more invitations than I could respond to. To the present time, from April 1, 1870, to September 12, 1870, I have preached 22 Sermons. I have assisted in administering, and also have personally administered the Holy Communion ten times. I have baptized two children, and buried one child.

I have traveled over 400 miles on said service, and have received about \$35.00—the services always being rendered as labor of love.

Remembering your instruction while in Illinois, that I should keep you advised of these things, the foregoing is affectionately submitted.

WM. A. FULLER,

Presbyter of the Diocese of Illinois.

No. 20, Western Ave., Alleghany City, Pa.

TO THE RIGHT REVEREND H. J. WHITEHOUSE, D. D., &c.,
Bishop of the Diocese of Illinois:

DEAR SIR—In addition to my Tabular Report of St. Stephen's Parish, Pittsfield, be pleased, my dear Bishop, to accept this report of my services in other places during the first nine months of the past conventional year.

From the 17th Sunday after Trinity, September 19, 1869, to the 1st Sunday after Easter, April 24, 1870, inclusive, I officiated in St. Peter's Church, Sycamore, and for St. Alban's, De Kalb, as Missionary. The remainder of the nine months, to Trinity Sunday, June 12, 1870, I officiated in other places, but most of the time in the Church of the Epiphany, Chicago. During that time, I baptized 3 adults; had 1 Marriage; 1 Burial; Morning Prayer, Sundays, 33 times; Other Days, 4 times; Evening Prayer, Sundays, 64 times; Other Days, 3 times; Sermons, 99; Lectures and other Addresses, 13.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

J. N. HUME.

RIGHT REVEREND HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE, D. D., &c.,
Bishop of Illinois:

MY DEAR BISHOP—Your Missionary on the Dixon Air Line of N. W. R. R., respectfully reports services since the 12th of September last, as follows:

Elgin, Redeemer—Morning Prayer: Sundays, 1; Sermons, 1.

Fulton—Morning Prayer: Sundays, 1; Evening, 1; Sermons, 2.

Geneva, St. Mark's—Morning Prayer: Sundays, 5; Evening, 3; Sermons, 5.

Geneva, St. Mark's—Assisted at Morning Prayer: Sundays, 14; Evening, 11; Sermons, 3.

Geneva, St. Mark's—Assisted Other Days, Evening, 1; Holy Communion, Sundays, 3.

Geneva—Children baptized in private, 2.

Visited Blackberry once; found 8 Communicants. No Service.

Visited Rochelle twice; 9 Communicants; distributed books. No Service.

Visited Dement twice; 7 Communicants; Sunday Evening Prayer, 1; Sermons, 1.

Visited Wheaton once; found no Communicants; held no Service.

Visited Franklin Grove once; found no Communicants; held no Service.

MORRISON AND VICINITY.

Families in Morrison, 14; vicinity, 5; Number of Souls, 75. Baptisms, 4; by Rev. Mr. GOODHUE, 14; Total, 18.

Confirmed, 9. Burials, (by Mr. GOODHUE), 1.

Communicants—Admitted to First Communion, 17; Afterwards, 9; Received, 4; Removed, 3. Present Number, 27.

Morning Prayer—Sundays, 22.

Evening Prayer—Sundays, 20.

Sermons, 35. Lectures, 3.

Rev. Mr. GOODHUE officiated 6 to 8 times, and celebrated Holy Communion 4 times, assisted by your Missionary once.

Rev. Mr. GIBSON officiated 4 times, and celebrated Holy Communion once, assisted by your Missionary.

Lay Services—Sunday Mornings, 5.

Sunday School—Teachers: Male, 1; Female, 3; Total, 4.

Scholars: Male, 6; Female, 12; Total, 18.

Text Books Used—Calvary Catechism, Catechism Simplified, and Bevan's Help; with Scriptural Lessons. Catechising by the Missionary once to twice a month. Bible Class of Communicants and others, in connection with Sunday School, using Rev. THOS. JACKSON's questions on Epistles, Collects and Gospels.

Money raised for Church Purposes, \$368.68. Sunday School Offerings, \$8.82. Diocesan Missions, \$6.30.

Your Missionary visits Morrison every other Sunday. This organization at Morrison was first called together on the 5th day of December last, with 11 Communicants. Is pecuniarily weak, but of the true Lay Missionary Spirit.

Your Missionary has held Morning Prayer, Sundays, in Grace Church, Sterling, twice, and Evening Prayer twice; and preached four times, by way of exchange with the Rev. Mr. GOODHUE, who has aided much to encourage and strengthen the Church at Morrison.

At DeKalb, Sundays, Morning Prayer, 2.

At DeKalb, Sundays, Evening Prayer, 3; Sermons, 5.

Very truly and faithfully, your Missionary Deacon,

A. W. GLASS.

IMMANUEL HALL, CHICAGO, Sept., 1870.

TO THE RIGHT REVEREND H. J. WHITEHOUSE, L.L. D., D. D.

MY DEAR BISHOP—I beg leave to report my work for the year just closing.

My time has been fully occupied with the charge of Immanuel Hall. In its financial management, the Hall is a private enterprise. But it is strictly a church school, under the laws, customs, and authorities of the Church. It has never asked for benefactions, and never laid responsibilities upon the Convention or the Diocese. I am happy to report the Hall as in a prosperous condition.

I have held Divine Service for the Household, in the school-room on each Lord's day of the school year, and administered the Holy Communion once a month. The daily devotions of the Hall are also

held in the school-room, morning and evening. We use an abridged form of the "Daily Prayer" of the Church. A class is preparing for Confirmation, which, in due time, will invite your official presence at the Hall.

I am yours faithfully in the Lord,
EZRA JONES.

THE RIGHT REVEREND H. J. WHITEHOUSE, D. D., &c.:

RIGHT REVEREND FATHER IN GOD—During the Conventional year which has just expired, I have been engaged in carrying on my school, and with a fair degree of success; still endeavoring to make it, as a Church institution, tributary, according to its measure, to the pastoral work of the Church.

To these duties, moreover, have been added others, of a parochial character, inasmuch as early in the spring I was elected by the Vestry of Ascension Church to the post of Associate Rector of the Parish. In this capacity I have celebrated, or have assisted at celebration of the Holy Communion, fifty-nine times; have officiated on Sundays, at Morning and Evening Prayer, fifty-six times, and have preached three times.

I have also officiated on Sundays, in other churches, as follows: At the Cathedral, assisted at sixteen Services, preached three times, and celebrated once; at the Church of our Saviour, Chicago, officiated once at Morning and once at Evening Prayer, and preached on both occasions; at Grace Church, Chicago, said Morning Prayer once; at St. James' Church, Chicago, officiated and preached once; at Calvary Church, Chicago, the same; at Evanston, officiated and preached three times; at Harlem, officiated and preached twice, and celebrated once; at Geneva, the same; at Naperville, officiated and preached twice; also the same at Springfield, Princeton, Danville and Riverside; at Laporte, Indiana, I have said both Morning and Evening Prayer four times, and preached as many sermons.

At week day Services, I had officiated thirty-four times previous to Ash-Wednesday. Since that day, daily Morning and Evening Prayer has been said in the Church of the Ascension, at all of which Services the Rector and myself have, for the most part, both officiated.

The following is a summary of my Report:

Holy Communion—Sundays, 32; Other Days, 30; Total, 62.

Morning and Evening Prayer—Sundays, 96; Other Days, 300 to 400.

Sermons, etc., 30.

Baptisms—Infants, 2.

Marriages, 4. Burials, 9, and assisted at two others.

I am, Right Reverend and Dear Father in God,

Respectfully your Son in the Catholic Faith,

GEO. C. STREET,

Associate Rector of the Church of the Ascension, and Canon.

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 25, 1870.

RIGHT REVEREND AND DEAR SIR:

I have to report that since my last report to you I have officiated, on an average, three times a week; that I have baptized about thirty. The most of my services will be reported by the Parish authorities of the Parishes in which the services were rendered. Those that will not be so reported were rendered in Mendota, Utica and Carthage, in which places I have officiated.

Hoping that I may soon be relieved from the present discouragements, I remain, faithfully and obediently yours in Christ,

ALBERT E. WELLS.

ROBIN'S NEST, Ill., Oct. 10, 1870.

RIGHT REVEREND SIR:

With great thankfulness I report the continued prosperity of this Mission, and direct your attention to the success which the Divine favor has vouchsafed to important Church extension work in my hands. And when you remember that my work is purely missionary, and done on no other man's foundation, my gratitude will be esteemed by you, I am sure, as becoming.

At Preëmption, where so much had ever been found to make you sad with discouragement, a more hopeful stage has been reached in the completion and occupation of a new and beautiful Church. It is of wood, open-roofed Gothic in style, and furnished with very pretty stained glass windows, from McMahon's, Chicago. Inside the wood-work is stained and varnished, and the walls and ceilings frescoed. Chancel and vestment room are very complete, and the whole is well furnished, including furnace, carpets and an organ. It contains two hundred and twenty-five sittings. The value of the whole property, including three and a half acres of fine land attached, is about \$4,000.

This beautiful, convenient and substantial church, awaits your coming, and will, I think, challenge your congratulations to the builders. God grant that it may also comfort you with a new hopefulness about them, as it does myself, to whom it is both an evidence of their liberality and an earnest of God's answer to many prayers for their spiritual growth and final entrance into eternal life.

At Aledo, county seat of Mercer County, another Church, similar to the above, though larger, is in progress of building, which we hope to complete in time for a Christmas service next winter. Two well-situated lots, fronting the finely-planted public square, have been secured for the site of this Church, through the kindness of the Hon. Judge THOMPSON, who, though not a churchman, has donated these lots and fifty dollars in money to this enterprise of our church building. The value of this property, when ready for use, will be about the same as that at Preëmption.

Of the dear brethren engaged in this work at Aledo I cannot say too much in praise. Very few in number and of limited wealth, they are planning and laboring for the kingdom of God as only they who believe and love can do. Surely God will bring their work to a good end. I rejoice over their triumph even before it is attained to.

At Galva preparations have been nearly completed to commence the building of a church this fall. We have been waiting for your canonical consent to organize a parish, which we still hope to receive. But because it has been so long delayed, we are obliged to give up our hope of building this year. The congregation at this station has real estate which, during the last year, has been cleared of debt, and furnishes us a room for Services.

Grace Church, Rock Island County, has been reopened for Services, and in part repaired. There is talk of rebuilding it immediately, though no steps have been taken towards it.

The following is a summary of Services maintained by this Mission, viz.: Four Sunday Services and three Sunday Schools at Galva, and one Sunday Service at Aledo every three weeks. At St. John's Church, Preëmption, and Grace Church, Rock Island County, Sunday Services and Sunday Schools are maintained every Sunday, so that this Mission maintains, every three weeks, eleven Sunday Services and nine Sunday Schools. For assistance to enable me to compass so much work, I have just undertaken to pay \$400 per annum in salaries.

The statistics of this Mission since my last report, embracing a period of two years, are as follows, viz.:

Baptisms, 50; Confirmations, 20; Burials, 2; Marriages, 2; Communicants, 120; Churches built, 2; Amount added to Church Property, \$8,000.

During the past year a clerical brother has kindly paid me \$200 for my personal use. Besides this I have received nothing for my support in all this work from any Church source. Of course I have felt the burden of poverty and the embarrassment of debt. That I have not been paralyzed in my hopes, nor defeated in my endeavors for God, I recognize as His grace by which my strength has been made as my day. I trust that they who are responsible for this lack will hereafter be found more alive to the will of God, touching the hire of those who labor in His harvest. But whether I shall realize this hope or not, I shall expect to continue in my work, and trust still in Him who knoweth that both I and my house have need of these things.

Respectfully, Right Reverend Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. S. CHAMBERLAINE,

Rt. Rev. Bp. WHITEHOUSE, D.D., Chicago, Ill.

APPENDIX III.

REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL.

TO THE RT. REV. H. J. WHITEHOUSE, D. D., &C.:

The Trustees of St. Luke's Hospital hereby tender their Annual Report, as required by the Constitution:

The Cash Receipts were.....	\$6,881 15
Expenses.....	6,856 08

Balance, September 1, 1870.....	\$25 07
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Contributions were from the following sources:

Grace Church.....	\$2,421 56
St. James' Church.....	1,089 73
Trinity Church.....	460 00
St. John's Church.....	169 00
Cathedral Church.....	56 00
Christ Church.....	25 00
St. Mark's Church.....	14 91
Calvary Church Sunday School.....	41 00
Church of the Epiphany.....	1 00
Church of the Ascension.....	9 00
Church of the Atonement.....	38 95
Miscellaneous.....	2,555 00

The Physician-in-Chief reports the following:

Number of Patients remaining September 1, 1869.....	13
Number of Patients received for the year.....	152
Number of Patients discharged.....	127
Number of Patients remaining September 1, 1870.....	16

The Baptisms, Funerals and Private Communion at the Hospital, for the year, are reported in the Parish of Grace Church—the Rector of that Parish being Chaplain of the Hospital. Of the whole number of Patients treated, 37 were Church members and 59 natives of the United States. Contrary to our expectations last year, the Hospital is not yet endowed with building or land, but steps are being taken, with fair promise of success, to procure land and erect a building.

Religious services have been held at the Hospital as usual on week days and Sundays. The services of Dr. Owens, and his kind and skillful assistants, have been, as always, gratuitous, and deserve the hearty thanks of Churchmen.

Many valuable donations of Food, Clothing, Furniture, etc., have been made to the Hospital during the past year. The Trustees earnestly commend the Hospital to the good will and liberality of men and women everywhere.

Very respectfully,

H. N. POWERS,

GEO. P. LEE,

R. F. SWEET,

Committee.

Chicago, Sept. 10, 1870.

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NOTE.—On page 33, Proceedings of Convention, for lines 16, 17, 18, “The following Canon,” etc., read:

The following Canon, providing for an Appellate Court in the the Diocese of Illinois, presented and referred to the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, at last Convention, was presented by said Committee to this Convention, and, on motion, unanimously adopted.

On page 38, line 8, erase “as in the Canons of the General Convention.”

J. H. KNOWLES,

Secretary of Convention.



NINETEENTH

Annual Address

OF THE

RT. REV. HENRY JOHN WHITEHOUSE, D. D., LL. D.,
D. D. OXON., LL. D. CANTAB.;
Bishop of Illinois,

DELIVERED BEFORE THE

THIRTY-THIRD CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE.

IN THE

Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul.

1870.

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EPISCOPAL ADDRESS.

TO THE CLERGY AND DELEGATES
OF THE THIRTY-THIRD CONVENTION,
AND TO THE CLERGY AND LAITY
OF THE DIOCESE OF ILLINOIS;
GREETING IN THE LORD:

I present to the Convention and the Church, my nineteenth Episcopal Address. Such a document is in its nature discursive, because, besides record in its elementary forms, it must embrace such range of event and opinion as the Bishop may deem suggestive for information or co-ordinate action.

OBITUARY.

We naturally put, in the first place, our honored dead, and turn to the recent bereavements of the Church, in the mingled grief and triumph with which she has ever commemorated her servants "who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labors."

Within the ministry of our own Diocese, no decease has occurred. But two of our Bishops have been taken from us in full age and amplitude of ministry and Episcopate: Dr. Carlton Chase, Bishop of New Hampshire, and Dr. Jackson Kemper, Bishop of Wisconsin,

the Apostle of the West. Each of these venerated Fathers deserves, as I doubt not he will receive, your tribute of devout eulogy.

The Bishop of New Hampshire was a man of strong good sense, simple but dignified manners, plain spoken, but always courteous, carrying enviable influence in counsel from the straight forward wisdom of his opinions, and through his home-life, by the harmony and steadfastness of his pastoral and Episcopal ministrations. His large and vigorous frame, which he inured to handicraft labor, wore slowly to the grave; and the chastening of disease was accepted in meekness, faith and hope.

It will be long before our Church will find a peer for the Missionary Bishop of the Northwest, whose course has been fulfilled in a line of incidents in the Church and society not likely to occur again. Dr. Kemper's commission as Bishop made him the Evangelist of frontier and wilderness, with a charge sweeping over an area on which now States and Dioceses, thronged and cultured, seem to claim the development of a century. Through these social forces and ecclesiastical creations, he gently, zealously and with cheerful sacrifice held his way, adaptive alike for pioneer ruggedness or Diocesan fellowships in the indomitable energy of four score. His death-bed was sweetly tranquil, the quiet out-breathing of a well spent life of winning, practical goodness. On the last day of May, I assisted in the impressive funeral services held in the chapel and at the grave-yard at Nashotah, where his remains were committed to the ground.

I cannot forbear, in this connection, expressing our sympathy with a distant Church, made near to me by personal friendships, in the loss which Sweden has sus-

tained in the death of Dr. Reuterdahl, the venerable Archbishop of Upsala. From humble origin, by diligent study, patient struggle and purity of life, Dr. Reuterdahl rose to the eminent position he held. His long career was marked by qualities which secured for him steady promotion in literary and ecclesiastical rank until it culminated in the highest office of the National Church, honorable influence in the representative Councils, and the enduring friendship of the King and royal family. Dr. Reuterdahl never married. His habits of life were remarkably simple, and his income was fully expended in works of public and private beneficence. His manners were gentle, winning and dignified; and his heart was so tender for his Church and people that, more than once in our private intercourse, he wept as we talked of present and impending events affecting their ecclesiastical and spiritual condition. The good Bishop felt, as we all must feel, anxiety that those who emigrated to this country should not stray from the traditional episcopate and hereditary faith of their birth, and by his pen the subject was brought into the encyclical of the Diet, and a form prepared of "commendatory letters" to our Bishops and Clergy. That same gentle spirit made him welcome any opening for a demonstrative unity with the Church of the United States. In every position in the Diet, among his peers, with the government or privately with the large-hearted King, in personal fellowship with me at the Table of the Lord, or in participation with my official acts for the English Congregation in Stockholm, the venerable Archbishop manifested so much truthful goodness and ingenuous effort as not only to endear him to myself and family in grateful affection, but make him worthy to be had in honor in the Church,

whose humble representative he was pleased to welcome in such Catholic love.

SELECTED ACTS AND INCIDENTS.

There are certain selected acts and incidents of the year which I venture to make suggestive of some remark.

First among these in time was a visit to New York in October, on a call of the House of Bishops for the supply of the vacancy in the Missionary Episcopate of the Southwest, caused by the translation of Bishop Lay to the Diocesan jurisdiction of Easton. This meeting synchronized with a meeting of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, and the annual meeting of the Board of Missions. At the first named of these two an election took place of the Rev. Dr. Forbes to the office of permanent Dean. The creation of this office with its responsible relation to the personal religion of the students is one change of importance in the administration of that Institution. Larger changes impend, owing to the sale of its present site, and the removal from the city to a rural position. As the place of my own Theological novitiate, I feel deep interest in its honor and usefulness. But we owe as a Diocese special gratitude for the education of several of our candidates, and the liberal extension of beneficiary aid by the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning.

Nor in this association would it be natural to forget Nashotah, the Institution of a sister Diocese indeed, in location, but the source of supply for our Western ministry of men trained in special adaptation. The management of the Institution is so flexible that peculiar cases are provided for without disturbing either its system or scholarship. Many of us can testify to the prompt benevolence of its officers and the

scope of its practical usefulness. The Diocesan feature is perhaps now of secondary import, but I trust that in the Provincial system, to which our Church is tending, the University, College, Seminary, and other endowments for common benefit, may belong to the Province, and expand in consequence with federate sympathy and strength.

The Board of Missions represents our whole Church, and is the organization created by its authority and the agent for its vital work. Its triennial sessions constitute a large labor of love at our General Convention. As it embraces the Church in its breadth, so in principle and practice the administration in detail has avoided partizanship, and through its Committees (certainly the Domestic) has fairly recognized the freedom of theological opinion. It is simply impossible that a society organized on avowed reasons of dissent and impeachment, should assume to share its work, without an antagonism injurious to the Catholic life of the Church, and with inevitable results of confusion and sorrow. Although the amount appropriated to the Diocese is now small, and while we have reason to complain at the exclusion of the Scandinavian Mission from help, because its principal Church happens to be in this city, we cannot forget that help to some extent has not failed us since we became a Diocese. I may, therefore, earnestly beg the congregations to sustain the three departments by regular collections in their behalf.

The election of a Missionary Bishop of Arkansas, one of remarkable unanimity, deprived our Diocese of a wise and trusted presbyter in the Rev. Henry N. Pierce, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's, Springfield. His consecration took place in Mobile in February, where for years Dr. Pierce had been an effective and loved

pastor. I assisted in the consecration, and preached the sermon on the occasion, enjoying a delightful week of Churchly and social fellowship with our Southern brethren.

On the invitation of the Bishop of Michigan, I was present at the consecration, November 10, of St. Andrew's Church, Ann Arbor, and preached the sermon. The edifice is chaste and effective. The material is derived from the boulders broken which the ice cars from the North have in past ages dropped over the prairie surface. The granite firmness and varied tints of the stone commended it to the taste of all present. It may be worthy of trial whether we cannot make useful in church building the boulders so largely distributed over our own State.

On the evening of November 25, I attended, by invitation, a pleasant meeting of young men of Trinity Church, Chicago, whom the Rector had associated with the combined object of their own intellectual and religious improvement, and as organized helpers in Parish work. In an address I touched on the subject of modes and places of amusement for young men, especially in our large cities and towns, which should be not only consistent with Churchly habits and religious character, but to some degree protective and promotive of both. The importance of the whole question of social recreation and amusement is obvious. It is engaging anxious thought and a large amount of empirical provision. The resolution of it by any direct agencies is beset with perplexity, where the principles as well as the forms are unsettled, and we must feel our way or force our way through a crowd of injurious associations, prejudices, and incidental moral obstructions. I am conscious of this perplexity in the matter of worldly amusements,

on which it is far easier to declaim and warn in the pulpit than to guide the individual case, or provide with wholesome freedom and constraint for the class. Every sectarian effort on the basis of rigid conformity and sumptuary prescription has failed; and the bodies which sustained, in their origin and for a time, these homogeneous restrictions have slipped out of them into plans and habits of low expediency and laxity. The present popular sociality which fits up kitchens and supper rooms in Church buildings, while it may be in harmony with the debased machinery of "charity" throughout, is sure to degrade communion into companionship, the mystical and sacramental into gregarious frivolity. I ventured on that occasion to express an opinion that the "Club" embodied the type and capacity for one practical movement in this direction. Taking the definition of that as an association on some fixed rules and common tastes, with the sharing of expense and a provision through co-operation of social means and advantages not to be attained by the individual, the "Church Club" might be so organized and sustained as to afford, with some agencies for good, at least a safer atmosphere for social intercourse, recreative games and reading than the contaminated and mainly vicious accessories in which some of these things are now sought and found.

The subject in larger scope was discussed in meetings of the Church Union in this city. The effect on my own mind of all was to increase the sense of its importance, but to bewilder as to its resolution, owing to the intrinsic complexity, the very divergent views expressed, the questionable amusements sanctioned in some congregations, and the final doubt whether the Church in her holy vocation could legitimately recognize public

amusement or private recreation as within her executive control. I do believe that the Church and the congregation has inalienable responsibility vested in the existing state of social and personal amusements to purify what the world may have debased; to contrive what may be expedient; and in the life and love of Jesus Christ meet and mould human nature as it is, with expedient regard to the requirements and instincts of the present. There is some ground for anxiety lest censurable indulgences may not exist in the "sociables" as they are called, and that, under the admitted need of Church use and religious control for the social element, we may be fostering it in forms which permit the world to overmaster the Church, and alloy the purity of her teaching and discipleship. I do not feel assured enough to advise at present any plans or rebuke distinctly supposed improprieties; "Happy is he who condemneth not himself in that thing which he alloweth."

On Sunday, December 19, in the Cathedral, I received into the ministry of our Church, John Christopher Fitnam, an ordained Priest of the Roman Catholic Communion. Mr. Fitnam had renounced Romanism several years before, and had been living as a lay communicant in this Diocese. The service was specially arranged for the occasion, mainly from an English use. The reconciliation of Priests of Rome to the Anglican communion might, with propriety, be provided for in our offices. But above all, we are deficient in places for the studious and devout retreat of such, and for those coming to us from the sectarian denominations, during the period of probation, where they could have suitable direction of study and oversight of life. The specific canon regulating the subject of the ordination of such applicants, (Tit. 1, Can. 5, § vi.),

which I have heard quaintly titled "The bounty act for Heresy and Schism," may be open to objection for the short term of candidateship. With its permitted six months of candidateship for "ministers in any other denomination of Christians," it offers the shortest possible road to the ministry of the Church, and the cheapest in attainment, by way of Methodism, the Baptists, or Universalism. In my own experience, not altogether small, I have found the case to be exceptive which the canon seems to contemplate, viz: that of the instructed and disciplined minister with well tried character and experience, conscientiously convinced on the matters of difference, impelled to mistrust his Presbyterian or Congregational Orders, and to seek, in consequence, at the hands of the Bishop a valid commission. The applications within our western sphere, originate more in prudential dissatisfaction with the denomination in which applicants may be, than from primary attraction to Catholic faith and order. As individuals, they often present, with good intentions and natural parts, deficiency in classical and literary education, crude, self-willed or unformed habits of action, with effects from past associations over manner, temper, pastoral and social intercourse and divine worship which tend to mar or demoralize the after professional life among us. No responsibility affects me more than the reception and ordination of candidates who thus fundamentally change their ecclesiastical position. I feel peculiar sympathy with the sacrifices and trials of such an uprooted life. I respect the brave fidelity to conscience which holds on through the dreariness of the void of old trusts before it is filled by the new fellowships. But on the other hand, I appreciate how needful it is that beyond the mere schooling on the facts of difference, there should

be the apprehension in head and heart of the churchly system. Each case to be honestly met for the applicant or the Church must be strictly individualized, and controlled by the judgment of the Bishop, frank and kind indeed as most bounden, but steady enough to the true Church standard not to be seduced by the sympathy of feeling and necessity which often hazes the special application. We require for such results, places of retreat and guidance—a refuge for the exigency—where, with beneficiary aid and culture adapted to the individual, we should be prepared to shelter and develop accessions from either the Roman or Protestant side.

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

There is a pending amendment to the Constitution of the General Church, which is referred to the Diocesan Conventions under Article IX of that document. It relates to a subject of fundamental importance to which peculiar attention has been directed for some years past: the increase of the Episcopate by the formation of new Dioceses within the bounds of our existing jurisdictions.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

“*Resolved*, That Article 5 of the Constitution be amended so as to read as following, viz:

“A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter be admitted on acceding to this Constitution; and a new Diocese, to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions, viz:

“No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, as well as of the General Convention, and such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese.

“No such new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain less than six Parishes or less than six Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than twelve Parishes or less than twelve Presbyters who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above mentioned; provided that no city shall form more than one Diocese.

“In case one Diocese shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof, and the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

“Whenever the division of a Diocese into two or more Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, until the same shall be altered by the Convention of the Diocese.”

This alteration has been very carefully considered by both Houses of the General Convention, and was reported by a Committee of Conference. I trust that it will meet the approval of this body.

FORMATION OF NEW DIOCESES.

I have more than a general interest in the subject, because I am assured that my own jurisdiction ought at no remote period to apply the provisions of this legislation in one at least if not two divisions of its territory. For some time past I have ventured to express a desire for this within the district lying south of the counties of Hancock, McDonough, Fulton, Mason, Tazewell, McLean, Ford and Iroquois, in order that, as the portion mainly interested, the Southern Churches might feel at liberty to move in the matter as they

might think proper. This line from East to West would divide the State into two parts. But the creation of two new Dioceses instead of one, should be carefully considered. The third Diocese might then comprehend the area lying west of the Illinois river to its junction with the Mississippi; and with its northern boundary on the south line of Mercer, Henry, and Bureau counties. The ecclesiastical centre of this strong and important district might be JUBILEE, where the College domain and appliances would constitute the basis of a vigorous establishment of the whole Cathedral system, and redeem as a power what under present circumstances must inevitably lie dormant.* If this three-fold division, which we may call "Springfield" and "Peoria," should be realized, then the large Southern portion would be ultimately divided East and West by the line now nearly discriminating the Middle Deanry, by the Northern lines of Madison, Marion, Clay, Richland and Lawrence. This, however, must be committed to another charge, and an undeveloped future. The rest is a practicable advance, and can be fulfilled if the Diocesan Church is brave in faith and resolute in charity.

The rupture of old bonds must be painful, I hope to some degree beyond my own breast. Therefore, I

* The proposition of a third Diocese, with the above limits, was added after the Address was prepared, principally at the suggestion of a valued Presbyter. Further reflection has induced me to suggest that the lines of division should be rather from East to West, and the map appended is marked to express this in addition to those named in the Address. The *Northern Boundary* of the Middle Diocese is expressed as the Southern line of the counties of Mercer, Henry, Bureau, Putnam, La Salle, Grundy and Will; and its *Southern Boundary* on the South line of Adams, Brown, Cass, Menard, Logan, DeWitt, Ford and Iroquois. The Southern Diocese would, in that event, be constituted of all South of that line, and be capable of the subdivision referred to in the Address, at some future period. Four Dioceses would thus be constituted with parallel bounds from East to West, across the five degrees through which the State extends from North to South, and leaves one or more principal Railroads running through the middle of each jurisdiction in both directions. The College Domain would probably remain federate or be arranged by the concurrent action of the Trustees and the Convention.

MINIATURE
NEW & IMPROVED
ILLINOIS
SHOWING
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OF
DIOCESES.
1870.

Lith Chas. Strober, Chicago



content myself with the assurance that I shall concur with what the Diocese may in its wisdom determine as to the expediency of the creation of new jurisdiction, whether by a two-fold or three-fold division of the existent territory, and be especially considerate of the interests of the part or parts most affected by the separation.

We must carefully guard against the possible construction, that the stronger would cut off the weaker, or act in any spirit other than that of hearty community in love and sacrifice. The main practical point is the satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese. I must plainly say, that I cannot give my consent to any change in the jurisdiction until I am assured of the raising of an Episcopate fund which will permanently secure this object. There is wealth enough to accomplish it, and we have no reason to mistrust that men of property will be found who will liberally assist such an endowment. The whole Church in the Diocese should concur in the purpose of relative provision for both the old and new Diocese. A year's honest application of our Endowment Fund System, with earnest solicitation through Committees of influential laymen for special donations, would meet the exigency by the next general Convention.

With this brief statement, designed to free the question from the restraint of delicacy towards myself, to guard the question in reference to the rights and feelings of the churches concerned, and present explicitly the indispensable condition of a suitable provision for the support of the Diocesan Episcopate, I leave the whole to such Conventional or voluntary action as may be deemed expedient.

ADDITIONAL CYCLE.

The other subject sent from the General Convention is a table of the days on which Easter will fall, to supply the place of that in which the future has become the past. The nearly exhausted table expires with 1880, and the new one embraces the completion of the century. Our approval is merely a technical act.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

The missionary work in the Diocese has gone on with a fair share of success, but with the same chronic drawback of infirmity and neglect to cripple and impede. The Board, with our Rural Deans as members, seems to me to be as well constituted for efficient results as we ought to desire. The impediments are not to be removed by any change in that direction. We require uniform exertion and conscientious obedience in the clergy and laity to the various canonical obligations. If the parishes were as ready to obey rule during the year, as we are ready to tinker machinery at Convention, the growth and love of the Church would be advanced. One year's honest, unflinching effort, by making collections soberly, as a normal part of parochial fellowship, would do more to develop confidence and cheer it with felt ability than any legislative or spasmodic action. No clergyman in charge of a parish or missionary station should look beyond himself to fault and complain, if under any plea whatever he fails to demand heartily and bravely at the appointed seasons the collections which the canons prescribe. If he does thus temporize and neglect, he may credit many a dishonorable failure at home, which sends a pang to his own heart, to the lax morality in his Master's cause in which he indulges himself and his people.

If our parishes (as a majority to all intents must be) are trained no higher than to regard diocesan claims as an imposition, and the assessments made before God in representative council as taxation to be shirked, or injustice to be denounced, then that same undisciplined conscience will regard salary as wages of which they may defraud the hireling without discredit, and the compact with their minister as a thing of formal and self-willed convenience. Let us not be afraid to use plain English. Will a man rob God?

The Board by Canon contains thirteen members. The immediate executive is left in the hands of the members in and about Chicago elected by the Convention. This is a practical necessity, in consequence of the obvious difficulty in assembling the whole Board with sufficient frequency when its membership is scattered broadly over the Diocese. It involves too much sacrifice of time and money to be expected continuously. The Dean, however, from his localized position is an excellent subsidiary, and is able to keep the Executive Committee informed of details within his knowledge, and suggest, as he thinks fit, specific matters for consideration or action. He can always send to the Board tidings of the work and want within his District, as well as be present when convenient at the meetings. Hence there is provided, with reasonable efficiency, a prompt centralized agency with a breadth for impartial observation and local sympathy. The Executive Committee determined, by my advice and consent, to hold regular meetings monthly, and special ones, when convened by the Bishop. This arrangement provided business opportunities frequent and regular, and irrespective of the necessary absences of the Bishop. But after all, time after time there has failed to be a quorum,

either on regular or special calls, owing mainly to the conflicting engagements of both the Clergy and Laymen. No actual neglect of needful business may occur in consequence of this, but there is evident loss of heartiness in spirit and of aggressive influence for the parish collections by a more direct pressure of fact and feeling. Where is there not, however, exactly this delinquency in any voluntary organization, of the Church Vestries, Committees, Convocations, and even in the Annual Convention? We have no leisure class, and there are very few not so overworked as to have little leisure to bestow. What we suffer in the voluntary work of the Church is a common mishap largely unavoidable. We must accept it as a necessity, and forbear from criminalizing a single body or a system as defective, because individual attention cannot be secured with promptness and perseverance.

REPORTS OF RURAL DEANS.

I also adopt and present as further exhibit of the Missionary work, summary reports made to me by the Rural Deans; and in this connection beg to state that I have during the year appointed the Rev. I. L. Townsend, Rector of Jacksonville, to the Middle Deanry, in place of Dr. Pierce, consecrated Bishop; and the Rev. Edwin Coan, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Cairo, to the Southern Deanry, in place of Rev. James W. Coe, resigned. These appointments are subject to the approval of the Convention.

NORTHERN DEANRY.

REPORT OF

The Rev. J. H. RYLAND, D.D., Rural Dean.

TO THE RT. REV. H. J. WHITEHOUSE, D.D. LL. D.,

BISHOP OF ILLINOIS:

RIGHT REVEREND SIR—According to the terms of my appointment as Dean, I respectfully submit a brief report of the field and the work committed in some measure to my care, for the year about to close.

Quarterly meetings of the Chapter have been held at Trinity Church, Chicago; at St. Mark's, Geneva; at Christ Church, Waukegan, and at St. James', Chicago. These, with one exception, were well attended by the Clergy. But few Laymen have shown any interest in Missionary work by their personal presence at these meetings or at the Convocations appointed in the Parishes and Mission Stations. These Convocations have been appointed for every Parish in the Deanry, with delegations of Clergymen and Laymen. How many have been held, and with what results, it is impossible for me to say, inasmuch as the returns required by the Chapter have in only a few instances been made to the Dean. In many instances, as I happen to know, good meetings have been held, with marked benefits to the Parishes, to the cause of Missions, and to those, who, at considerable self-sacrifice in some instances, have attended as Delegates. Among these, I think I ought to name our faithful Secretary, Mr. F. F. Hilder.

It should be confessed that it is difficult to work effectively this system of Convocations over so wide an area, with Parishes so remotely situated outside of Chicago, involving a good deal of cost in time and money to those who faithfully keep their appointments. The Parish Clergy, too, find it almost or wholly impossible at times, to leave their own specified duties and engage in the general outlying work of the Church. A fact which will explain much of our seeming failure, pertaining both to the Clergy and to the Laity, is this: We live in an overworked age, and in an overworked country, and amid the crowds of claims upon men's time and strength, some will suffer neglect. If a band of Laymen could be formally enrolled for this service, bearing some sort of regular commission from the Bishop, it might help to give consistency and reliableness to work. I believe, thoroughly, that our aim should be to bring devout and gifted Laymen more and more into zealous co-operation with the Clergy in attempting to carry the Gospel into the neglected parts of our Diocese. And I believe a much larger measure of success may be obtained in this direction than we have hitherto secured.

Mr. Arvedson and Mr. Glass have been doing effective Missionary service in their respective spheres, as also several of the regular Parochial Clergy, particularly Mr. Goodhue, of Sterling.

The compensation or aid extended to the two former by the Missionary Board is so small and precarious, that I fear one or both will be unable to continue their services, unless they are more liberally and

more faithfully supported. The last Chapter meeting felt unanimously that the promises made to our Missionaries should be fully redeemed; that the *pro rata* condition should be abolished, that men might know what they had to rely upon when they accepted service as Missionaries. As it is, a good deal of disappointment and suffering have been experienced by the failure of the Board to pay the small amount promised.

The amount of money raised this year I fear is small. The Treasurer's Report will show; but I believe to insure a more reliable revenue for our Diocesan Missions, the regular quarterly collections should be looked to, which I believe in many Parishes have fallen into utter neglect.

J. H. RYLANCE, *Dean*.

St. James' Rectory, Chicago, Sept. 1, 1870.

NORTH-WESTERN DEANRY.

REPORT OF

The Rev. SAMUEL CHASE, D. D., Rural Dean.

The undersigned begs to present the following Report of the working of the Deanry and Chapter for the last Conventional year:

Meetings of the Chapter have been held in St. Paul's, Peoria, the Church of the Redeemer, Princeton, Grace Church, Galesburg, and St. John's, Kewanee.

At such meetings, all Clergymen resident, or doing duty within the Deanry, are expected to be present, and also Laymen from each Parish and Missionary Station.

These Chapter meetings, in their scope and purposes, embrace all Church work, whether Parochial, Missionary or Educational; they are especially designed to evoke and cast into activity the Lay element of the Church, and place it in its normal relation of sympathy and energy in the Church's aggressive work. In this relation, the interest and efficiency of the Chapter has been largely increased, and made itself felt as a power, at least in the Parishes where its meetings have been held, by the presence and countenance of two active Laymen in the Church, Judge Otis and Mr. George P. Lee, of Chicago.

Missionary Convocations have also been held in almost every Parish and Missionary Station in the Diocese. These have been attended by one or more of the Clergy, and such Laymen as could be induced to give them their aid and countenance. The object of these Convocations has been to infuse and excite to action Missionary effort, not merely so far as Parish work is involved, but for aggressive work in other and destitute places. They were, furthermore, especially designed to raise funds for Missionary operations generally in the Diocese. But the latter relation, that of raising funds, may be regarded almost in the light of a failure, and eminently so if we take into account the sacrifice of the attending Clergyman, pecuniary and otherwise, in being absent from his own charge on Sunday.

This circumstance led to a change of policy at the third Chapter meeting, viz.: instead of appointing Convocations in the several Parishes of this Deanry for *raising funds*, the Chapter placed all remote Parishes and Missionary Stations under the charge and supervisions of Clergymen residing in their vicinity, for such services on Sundays or week days as should be in their power; and at the same time recommended to Parishes and Stations, universal attention to the Quarterly collections required by Canon for Missionary purposes.

This arrangement, while it has not materially diminished Missionary contributions, has largely increased the Missionary work of the Deanry; many places, which, in the present relations of the Missionary work of the Diocese, would have dropped out not merely from the sympathy, but the knowledge of the Church, have been supplied with frequent services.

I am unable to report at this time the number of services thus rendered. I can only give the following statistics:

Number of Clergymen in the Deanry.....	15
“ Organized Parishes.....	15
“ Missionary Stations.....	7
“ Communicants	750

I beg to suggest that “the working of the Deanry and its Chapter,” as set forth above, or some similar plan, would prove more effective, if it had the sanction of Conventional Legislation, especially as it regards reports of strictly Missionary services, whether rendered by Missionaries of the Diocesan Board or otherwise. If such reports embraced only statistics, they would be of essential service in planning and prosecuting the work of Church extension.

I would also suggest that the Deanry, in its Missionary relation, be put into more lively sympathy and immediate co-operation with the Board of Missions for the Diocese. This could be successfully accomplished by having the Board, either by its own members, or others appointed by them, represented in each Chapter meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL CHASE, *Dean*.

EASTERN DEANRY.

REPORT OF

The Rev. THEODORE N. MORRISON, D. D., Rural Dean.

RIGHT REVEREND SIR:

During the past Conventional year, the Parochial and Missionary work of this Deanry, has been faithfully performed, and steadily progressing. While having to lament our inability to improve all our opportunities for Church growth and extension, we are thankful that a real, and, we trust, a permanent advance has been made.

The quarterly meetings of our Chapter have been regularly held, and as numerously attended on the part of the Clergy as could be expected. Thus far the Laity have failed to manifest much interest in

our proper Decanal work. This is to be accounted for, in a measure, by the fact that so few of our gentlemen are freed from the necessity or pressure of secular pursuits. One of the great questions before us is, how can we draw out the sympathy and activity of the Laity, for the furtherance of the local and general interests of the Church. In too many instances the Clergyman stands almost alone in his labors. On him falls the burden of things temporal and spiritual. With little sympathy, and less assistance, he bears aloft and carries forward the banner of the Cross. Can this indifference on the part of the Laity be removed, and the evil remedied?

No new Missionary ground has been occupied during the past year. Services have been held as opportunity has offered, in places having already enjoyed the privileges of the Church. I have visited El Paso, administered the Holy Communion, and baptized six children. Others of the Clergy have held services in this and other places, and administered the Ordinances of the Church.

Some regularly organized Parishes within the Deanry are vacant. In several instances the difficulty in providing for the support of a Rector, and in others the lukewarmness of the parishoners, is the cause of this. By hearty and combined effort, some of the vacant Parishes might be supplied. In all of them, week-day services would be held, if such services were desired.

In the Parishes having Rectors, there has been manifest progress; if not all we could wish, yet enough to encourage with the assurance that our "labor is not in vain in the Lord." St. Matthew's Parish, Bloomington, has provided for the payment of a long standing debt of nearly thirty-five hundred dollars, and is looking to the time when a new site can be purchased, and a Church built commensurate with the wants of the Parish and the rapid growth of the city. The Vestry of Christ Church, Joliet, have been forced, by the increased attendance, to enlarge their building. The work is now in progress. A plan for a new and beautiful stone Church, at Ottawa, has been adopted by the Vestry, the building of which will be immediately commenced. At Lockport, fresh life has been infused into the congregation; and the old Church, after having been repaired at a cost of several hundred dollars, has been removed to the rear of the lot, and a new stone edifice will soon grace its former site. A Church is being built at Lenox, Will County, and will soon be ready for occupation. The Church School at Kankakee, is in a flourishing condition, extending and strengthening its influence for sound Christian education. At Marseilles, a neat and substantial Rectory has been built, which places the young and vigorous Parish at this point in a condition of stability and increasing importance.

The Parishes at Wilmington and Onarga have lately received new Rectors. The work of Christ and His Church is prospering under their wise and energetic administration. Rev. Mr. Safford, at Wilmington, has been casting about for Missionary work within a convenient distance of his Parish. The Rev. Mr. Steel, of Onarga, has extended his labors to Rantoul, beyond the limits of this Deanry, at which place a desirable property has been purchased, and the building altered so as

to make it entirely convenient for Church services. At Mومence, the work on the Church has been commenced, and the expectation is to enclose it the present season. Thus slowly, but surely, does the Church "enlarge the place of her tents and stretch forth the curtains of her habitations; lengthen her cords, and strengthen her stakes."

T. N. MORRISON.

MIDDLE DEANRY.

REPORT OF

The Rev. I. L. TOWNSEND, Rural Dean.

RIGHT REVEREND AND DEAR SIR:

If this be a proper place to introduce statistics of this Deanry, I would observe that it embraces in its area more than one-fourth of the Diocese of Illinois. It is larger than any one of thirteen existing Dioceses in the United States, that might be named, and than four others, and twice a fifth combined. It about equals in population two of the Dioceses; surpasses any one of ten Dioceses and four Missionary Jurisdictions, and four of those Dioceses which we might select, united. Everywhere, throughout its length and breadth, Protestant and Papal sects are firmly rooted, having schools and houses of worship, and ministers without stint. While to do the work of Her Divine Head, in this vast territory, with these overwhelming odds against Her, the Church has but six Parishes of any material strength; as many Church edifices; one Parochial School building (unoccupied); five resident Clergymen, and about 400 Communicants, all told. What more than these facts can any Churchman ask to stimulate him to renewed effort in this portion of our Lord's Vineyard.

I received my commission as Dean, February 22d, 1870. I presumed the first thing to be done would be to organize the Chapter, and to that end, wrote the reverend Clergy that same day. A meeting was called in March, in St. John's Church, Decatur. Only the Rector of the Parish, myself, and one Clergyman, supplying a vacant Parish, but not then belonging to the Diocese, attended the services. Of course, no organization could be effected. It was determined to attempt to hold another meeting in June, but a circumstance beyond my control prevented. I spent the month of July in the East, and on my return, sought a place for meeting, but none was found until too late for it to take place before the Diocesan Convention. I regret, therefore, that I must report that the Chapter is still unorganized.

I presume my reverend brethren will report the Missionary work done by them. I am unadvised regarding it. I have visited Petersburg five times since my appointment, holding evening service and preaching, and baptizing one infant, on week days. At the request of the Bishop, I visited Lincoln and held service in company with Rev. H. G. Perry, who preached; but this mission properly comes under the care of the Rector of Springfield. I have also spent one Sunday

at Waverly, holding services both morning and afternoon. I shall take that little flock under my care until better provision can be made for it.

I have endeavored to carry out the instructions of my commission as means and opportunity allowed, particularly in the dissemination of Church literature. Church Press Companies are now furnishing just the tracts we need for aggressive work, and we can hardly make sufficient use of that efficient instrumentality.

In dwelling upon the field and work assigned me, I have been led to doubt whether the plan of holding *public* services, where we had but a handful of Church people, was expedient. Might it not be better to gather the little flock in some dwelling belonging to one of their number, and there hold services which shall be more edifying to their souls, and more encouraging than our present method of making a public display of *our Church's weakness* in that location? Could we not, by the suggested method, become better acquainted with our own people; learn thus, who from outside really intended to co-operate with us, form our plans for united work, quietly acquire property, and thus *prepare*, so that when we challenge public observation, it shall be, not as suppliants for a doubtful sympathy, but as those who are conscious of a measure of *accomplished purpose and growing strength*? I simply make the suggestion, but might enlarge on many points connected with it. And now, without money, clerical assistance, known or recognized authority—I sometimes fear with but little sympathy—not to mention my own keenly felt deficiencies, I cannot but feel myself poorly equipped for what seems to be my duty to the Church, and at times almost forced to ask to be relieved. And yet the Great Head of the Church requires of us only that we do what we can; and when we remember that He Himself compares His Kingdom to leaven and a grain of mustard seed, we thank God and take courage. God helping us, let us learn to *wait*!

Your son and servant in the Church of God,

I. L. TOWNSEND, *Dean*.

JACKSONVILLE, Sept. 1, A. D. 1870.

WESTERN DEANRY.

REPORT OF

The Rev. SIDNEY CORBETT, B. D., Rural Dean.

QUINCY, August, 1870.

RIGHT REVEREND AND DEAR SIR:

Only a few changes have occurred in this Deanry since our last Report. In territory, we embrace eight Counties. In clerical force we number only three Presbyters and one Deacon. We also have one licensed Lay Reader, under the immediate guidance of the Dean. Our working force is mournfully small, and appears all the more deplorable, because the Macedonian cry reaches us from every quarter, "Come over and help us." We cannot, however, shut our eyes to the selfish fact,

that most of those who ask for help, ask that it may be gratuitously contributed. Churchmen in this Deanry, as a rule, are not alive to the knowledge that "the laborer is worthy of his hire," and hence we are privy to the fact that men of brains have been invited to become Rectors of Parishes, at starvation stipends. Of course, so long as professed Churchmen attempt to carry on the Master's work without *cost*, just so long must we be forced to transmit to our Ordinary beggarly reports of the growth and extension of the Church. The entire Deanry cordially sympathizes with the Parish at Warsaw, in the loss it has sustained in the resignation and departure of the good and erudite Doctor Reynolds, its late Rector. Whilst, however, we deplore his going from our immediate midst, we rejoice he continues in the Diocese. I went to Griggsville to hold service according to a previous appointment, but, upon arrival, learned no arrangements had been made for services, and consequently abandoned the plan. Since then, the Methodists have offered us their place of worship for any future services we may wish to hold. I was at Pittsfield, where I held a special afternoon baptismal service. I also held an evening service, on which occasion I preached, baptized, and, after sermon, addressed the congregation upon the importance of its electing a Rector upon the plan of seeing for how *much*, rather than for how *little* it could secure one. I have since been gratified to learn that the Parish acted upon that theory, and now has one placed over it in the Lord.

We feel positive the Church is exerting a wider influence than formerly in this section of the Diocese, and many of the narrow prejudices that once existed against it, are one by one tottering and falling, in consequence of "the pure and undefiled religion," *lived* by the faithful.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

SIDNEY CORBETT, *Rural Dean*.

To Rt. Rev. H. J. WHITEHOUSE, D. D., etc., Bishop of Illinois.

SOUTH-WESTERN DEANRY.

REPORT OF

The Rev. C. S. ABBOTT, *Rural Dean*.

RT. REV. H. J. WHITEHOUSE, D. D., &C.:

RIGHT REVEREND AND DEAR SIR—As Rural Dean of the South-Western Deanry, I beg leave to report that, with the little clerical help within the bounds of the Deanry, I have endeavored to strengthen some weak points, and, through the grace of God, think something has been accomplished for the Church. Since my last report, Rev. Mr. Gibson has removed from us, but his place at Jerseyville and Carrollton has been supplied by Rev. H. G. Perry, so that the working force of the Clergy is the same as last year. Unity of action and harmony characterize us in our work, and all of us alike seem to take interest in doing all that, with our slender abilities, can be done. At Carlyle, Rev. Mr. Adderly, under the direction of the Decanal Chapter, has

been visiting once a month. At this place a lot has been purchased for the erection of a Church building, and some funds for this purpose are also in the hands of the people, and until they are able to accomplish their desire in this respect, a hall has been rented and fitted up for holding Divine service, the entire control of it being with the Church, so that it is not to be used for any other purpose. At Edwardsville, nothing has been done of consequence during the past year. A lot and some brick have been purchased for the new Church, to take the place of the old one sold with your permission, but the scarcity of money has prevented anything further being done. I have the promise that this fall, or next spring, if there comes an ease in the money market, the work of building shall go on. East St. Louis is a new point for us, but one the importance of which I do not think can be overrated. It is a suburb of a large city, and when the bridge across the Mississippi river is completed, it seems to me it must grow into one of the large and important cities of Illinois. The Church people here are not possessed of pecuniary ability, most of them being mechanics engaged in the various railroad shops; but they have purchased a lot, on which they are putting up a building for temporary use, which will be finished in about a month. Rev. Mr. Dresser has been visiting here once a month for the past few months. A place like this ought to have regular service and a settled minister; it is a pity the Church is not able to put the right man there, and so assist the few people of little means, as to furnish a good support. For the present, they can raise perhaps five hundred dollars for this purpose, and my judgment is for them to be united with Collinsville, about twelve miles distant on the Vandalia & Terre Haute Railroad, where about one hundred and fifty dollars can be raised for service once a month, the Diocesan Missionary Board appropriating sufficient to make a salary of at least one thousand dollars. Collinsville is an old Parish, but very feeble in numbers and ability, yet there is Church life among the people. The few ladies have kept up the Sunday School and a Sewing Society, and unlike most places, instead of raising a little sum for Ministerial service, and then dictating who and what they must have, as if they were the largest and wealthiest Parish in the country, they are thankful for anything. There were five candidates for confirmation last spring, one of who mis a gentleman who will, I think, prove useful to the Church. I have already intimated what I think can and ought to be done for the place. The town is a thriving one of about sixteen hundred inhabitants, and with proper exertion I have no doubt but the Parish will grow. Our last Decanal Chapter was held here, with much pleasure and satisfaction to the members of the Chapter. Bunker Hill and Gillespie have received but little attention from us the past year. At the former place, a Decanal Chapter was held and it was thought best by all to make no attempt for the present to have occasional services from the Deanry, but for the people to subscribe as if for a regular Minister, and place the sum thus raised to the credit of the Building Fund, of which they have a thousand dollars in hand. A subscription was at once established for this purpose

Nothing permanent can be done here, I am persuaded, until a Church is erected.

I believe this portion of the Diocese, if properly cared for, would in a reasonable time develope much Church strength, and show as much fruit as any other. When it is considered that but little or no attention has been paid to it in the way of Missionary appropriations, and but few workers have labored in it, the wonder is, not that there is so little Church strength, but that there is any Church life at all. I trust a brighter day is beginning to dawn for Southern Illinois.

Respectfully,

C. S. ABBOTT,
Rural Dean, S. W. Deanry.

ALTON, Ill., Sept., 1870.

THE CATHEDRAL.

The Cathedral has steadily done its work with some advance in material fitness, with testimonies of the Divine blessing, and kind acceptance of its free ministrations. But the event most significant, and of import so strange and deep that I hardly yet realize its fulfillment, is the payment by individual gifts of all remaining indebtedness on the property, amounting to seventeen thousand dollars. It is easy to appreciate that this fact secures the perpetuity of the work, and will thus commit the system with a sufficient building and accessories—an heir-loom to my successors. A very few gentlemen originated this successful effort during my absence in Europe, and have borne the responsibility of its execution. They deserve the hearty thanks of the Church for offering themselves on what I had come despondently to regard as a “forlorn hope.” The account which they give of their mission testifies to the cheerfulness of the gifts, the sincere interest of many who had not the ability to give, the sympathy expressed for the Cathedral as an agency of good, and affectionate auguries of its enlarged blessing and permanent honor.

In our internal administration we have suffered the

loss of the trained ability and conscientious diligence of Canon Magill in the Church and Schools, who has been induced by a call to a Parish in Indiana, to change his place of ministry. He has been succeeded in the school by Mr. Adrian Zimmerman, a graduate of Trinity, Dublin, and candidate for Holy Orders. He brings to the administration full ability and experience. A new building on the Cathedral ground is advancing to completion for the girls' school. Both schools are opening this season favorably, and I have confidence that through them we shall be able to afford a proper culture to the young minds and hearts committed to our care.

The services of the Cathedral are performed with simplicity, in the ordinary method of Cathedral use since the reformation, but with remarkable skill and taste in the choir. This numbers about thirty men and boys, is an organized body with its own rules and oversight, and providing its own expenses. The discipline secures more than musical proficiency. It proves influential for moral order and personal piety, witnessed alike by the individual deportment, the reverence in sanctuary duties, and the number from the Stalls, who on each communion kneel at the Altar rail.

The statistics of the parochial life of the Cathedral will be attached in the reports of my helping clergy who have borne their burthen each in his place.

THE REVISION OF THE ENGLISH BIBLE.

There has been a movement originated in the Convocation of Canterbury, with a definite organization to execute it, for *the Revision of the English Bible*.

For two centuries and a half has the English Bible been the pride and blessing of all who speak that tongue. It has gone from generation to generation,

loved, revered and trusted; the effective source of refinement, knowledge, light, comfort, joy, and holiness to millions. It has spread with the English race, and irradiated continents and "the islands of the sea" with its ancestral and living beauty. It has permeated all devotional writings and every agency by which the individual soul is disciplined and illuminated. It is printed on the memory of childhood, and the eye of age is young in the sanctified light of the unblurred record. It is a vast net-work, bright as the rainbow of the Throne, spread over the broken world of English Christendom, and binds it in mystical brotherhood. Its language and style, in glorious poetry and sweet story, visions of the seer and psalmody of inspired harp, narrative, history, lyric, in Gospels of the God-man, and Epistles of the Comforter and Remembrancer, have spoken in our own tongue wherein we were born, to our fathers' fathers and to us, "the wonderful works of God." Scholarship and taste in each age have lauded the supremacy of its literary purity until it hardly admits of question that our grand old translation made under James, is the best ever made in any modern tongue; while deep-toned faith has often realized in this pre-eminence a peculiar superintendence of the Divine spirit.

Of course it is not perfect; and while I do not believe that our age could originate one as good, we may admit that the advanced state of criticism and emendated text has shown mistakes and faults. These have been frequently indicated, and the subject of revision has been agitated with earnest ability. My own instincts hold on against such an undertaking, in the present state of the Anglican communion, and I cannot help

seriously doubting whether any effect of nicer accuracy will compensate for the strange moral shock that would be caused for a long time by an authorized critical emendation. It is easier to say, in view of the accomplishment of such work of revision, "we must never be reminded that we are not hearing the old version," than to secure such an ignoring acceptance. The instinctive attention will pick out and feel the changes, if they are worth anything. An amended version must long sound in the sanctuary as mistakes in reading or as private comment, and will open continued critical discussions on the changes, in place of the reverential listening to the unchangeable, now our practical habit. To the large mass of English Christians, the version holds now the ground of an original. Hebrew, Chaldee and Greek, manuscripts and various readings are unrecognized, all swallowed up in the reverence of our head and heart for the "Word of God." Continental Christians almost taunt our absolute reverence for the Scriptures.

This quiet emendation, which is thus to glide on with welcome, unperceived save as a new aroma or a sweeter tone, is a mere ideal. The attempt at revision will evoke all manner of discussion; arouse slumbering dogmatic and historic controversy; challenge rationalism to the strife, as well as conservative learning; open old feuds, and provoke new issues; until, if anything important is attempted, the result may be several versions instead of one, and the Anglican communion itself be perplexed and divided on the subject. It must be obvious then that before "companies" are formed in England to set about the work, there is a preliminary question as to the propriety of it at all, and

the propriety of undertaking it now, and at once. Are none interested in this, save the honored convocation of Canterbury? Is it all to be concluded in a motion and debate before that body? Is it to be mere discretionary impulse, and that a late one, to add, after dissent at home and Unitarianism, some scholars of the sister churches? How has this strange thing happened, done by the large-hearted, high-toned men, who gathered at the Lambeth Conference and sent out its world-wide missive? That very meeting was planned and sanctioned on the ground of this common vested interest in the vernacular Scriptures and the creeds; and that the care of them, in printed text or revision, was the inviolable trust of the whole Anglican communion.

I am startled by this independent, conclusive action by a part, on a subject of inherent right for the whole. I am bewildered by its seeming conflict with our recognized oneness. I am painfully sensitive to the jar it gives to the sympathies of the Church; and with such fears and pain, while there may be chance of retrieving change, I venture to speak plainly. None of us would disallow the right of the Convocation of Canterbury to originate, under the concurrent approval of their venerable Houses, the question of a Revision of the English Translation, to discuss it, to afford the whole Church the benefit of their exemplary learning and devotion, and be the initiative leader of the successive steps. But we should expect at least, that the expediency of this Revision, as an open question, should be sent from them to every sister and colonial church. That every subsequent step, if the present necessity and propriety of Revision be affirmed, should be conducted by a joint representative company after approved arrangements of

the limits, and the rule within which it should be restrained.

We may be mistaken in the view which we are thus compelled to take of the moral bearing and hazardous assumption of this movement of the Convocation. The prudence of the "companies" may abate the perilous tendencies, but we cannot run the risk of seeming to be indifferent or acquiescent. It is not too late for the suspension of the matter altogether. At the least there is room for the disavowal of any purpose beyond a voluntary contribution by eminent and selected Divines, of material to assist and exemplify a more perfect translation; thus to bring the subject more influentially before the branches of the Anglican Church, and prepare the way with justly respected influence for a more intelligent appreciation of the solemn undertaking.

DIOCESAN.

We have great cause to be thankful for the general condition of the Diocese, which, united, and as an organized body, is increasing in strength and influence. My official work has hardly been equal to my expectations, for, in consequence of a sudden voyage to Europe, and the loss of a couple of months which had been appropriated to active Diocesan travel, several Parishes have not had their annual visitation, and perhaps two hundred remain to be confirmed who would properly have fallen within the statistics of the year. I trust that this statistical derangement is the amount of the injury, and that I can retrieve it by autumn visitations, which in the actual system of my annual labor will afford me material for Parochial visitation at a season of the year very favorable, but in which ordinarily, but few scattered places can be prepared.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Confirmations have been administered in the following places, with the results affixed:

1870.		1870.		
Jan.	4, Lincoln	8	Apr. 3, St. Mark's, Chicago..	12
"	5, Springfield.....	8	" 3, St. John's, Chicago..	17
"	6, Jacksonville.....	6	" 4, Naperville.....	5
Feb.	6, Ascension, Chicago..	14	" 7, Racine College.....	11
"	13, Atonement, Chicago.	12	" 10, St. James', Chicago..	19
"	16, Joliet.....	9	" 10, Grace Ch., Chicago..	24
"	22, Geneseo.....	3	" 11, Ascension, Chicago..	21
"	24, Tiskilwa.....	9	" 12, Our Saviour, Chicago	5
"	25, Ottawa.....	13	" 13, Epiphany, Chicago..	5
"	28, Geneva.....	1	" 14, St. Ansgarius'.....	29
Mar.	1, Sycamore.....	4	" 15, Calvary	11
"	2, Dixon.....	5	" 17, Cathedral	43
"	3, Morrison.....	9	" 19, Aurora.....	12
"	4, Freeport.....	8	" 20, Kankakee	21
"	9, Galena	18	" 21, Momence.....	3
"	10, Rockford.....	7	" 24, St Stephen's, Chicago	13
"	11, Belvidere.....	6	" 24, Harlem.....	3
"	14, Waukegan	14	" 25, Geneva.....	7
"	18, Marseilles.....	5	" Decatur	9
"	22, Alton.....	5	" Danville.....	10
"	23, Carlinville.....	4	May 5, Sterling.....	5
"	24, Bloomington.....	8	" 29, Trinity, Chicago....	24
"	27, Christ Ch., Chicago.	41	Sept. 11, Cathedral.....	10
"	29, Knoxville	5	From Ascension.....	3
"	29, Galesburg.....	24	All Saints'.....	1
"	30, Galva.....	5		
"	30, Kewanee	10		
Mar.	31, Princeton	6	Total.....	600

In the following places there was no confirmation :

January 4, Petersburg; January 23, Rock Island; March 1, DeKalb;
March 4, Fulton.

There have been seven confirmations in private of persons dangerously ill.

LETTERS DIMISSORY GRANTED.

Clergy transferred by Dimissory Letters from this Diocese:

The Rev. FREDERICK W. BOYD, to Iowa.

The Rev. THOMAS G. CARVER, D. D., to Indiana.

The Rev. WILLIAM H. COOPER, D. D., to Iowa.
 The Rev. ALBERT A. FISKE, Deacon, to Wisconsin.
 The Rev. JOHN C. FITNAM, to Colorado.
 The Rev. EDWARD H. HARLOWE, to Iowa.
 The Rev. PHILIP A. JOHNSON, to Missouri.
 The Rev. WILLIAM M. STEEL, to Tennessee.
 The Rev. GEORGE J. MAGILL, to Indiana.
 The Rev. J. H. WATERMAN, Deacon, to Missouri.
 The Rev. JAMES A. WOODWARD, to Iowa.
 The Rev. A. J. YEATER, Deacon, to Missouri.

In addition, the Rev. HENRY N. PIERCE, D. D., has been consecrated Missionary Bishop of Arkansas and the Indian Territory.

CLERGY RECEIVED.

The following Clergy have been received into this Diocese:

The Rev. ANDREW JAMES BARROW, from Pennsylvania.

The Rev. EDWIN COAN, from Wisconsin.

The Rev. THOMAS K. COLEMAN, from Ohio.

The Rev. ELIJAH H. DOWNING, from New Hampshire.

The Rev. THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD, from Ohio.

The Rev. WILLIAM FULLER, from Pittsburgh.

The Rev. FRANK M. GREGG, from Indiana.

The Rev. JONAS GREENE, from Iowa.

The Rev. WILLIAM INGRAM MAGILL, from Connecticut.

The Rev. HENRY G. PERRY, from California.

The Rev. ROBERT RYALL, from Indiana.

The Rev. HENRY SAFFORD, from Wilmington.

The Rev. WILLIAM M. STEEL, from Tennessee.

The Rev. WM. E. WALKER, Deacon, Wisconsin.

The Rev. JOHN CHRISTOPHER FITNAM, from the Roman Catholic Church.

CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS.

FREDERICK C. WHITEHOUSE, JAMES CORNELL, EDWARD TOLL, THOMAS NORTH, of previous report.

CANDIDATES ADMITTED.

FRANK H. POTTS, full qualifications.

ADRIAN ZIMMERMAN, A. B., full qualifications.

GEORGE H. HIGGINS, full qualifications.

— RYDER, from Presbyterian Ministry, and THEODORE NAIRNE MORRISON.

I have since removed Mr. RYDER, for moral causes, from the list of Candidates.

DIACONATE.

Of the number reported last year, none have been ordained Deacon, leaving the present number eight.

ORDINATION—PRIESTHOOD.

One ordination to the Priesthood of Rev. J. NELSON HUME, M. D., has taken place.

The service was held at the Cathedral, the Candidate presented by Canon MAGILL, who, with Mr. KNOWLES, joined in the laying on of hands.

NOTICES OF DISCIPLINE.

Notices of Deposition from other Dioceses:

The Rev. EDWARD B. ALLEN, Presbyter, Ecclesiastical Authority, Massachusetts.

The Rev. R. H. BOURNE, Ecclesiastical Authority, New York.

The Rev. JOHN COSBY, Presbyter, Ecclesiastical Authority, Virginia.

The Rev. J. CROMBLISH, Presbyterian, Ecclesiastical Authority, New York.

The Rev. THOMAS GOELET HAUGHTON, Ecclesiastical Authority, North Carolina.

The Rev. W. H. HARLOW, Ecclesiastical Authority, Long Island.

The Rev. CHARLES H. RICE, Presbyterian, Ecclesiastical Authority, Nebraska.

The Rev. A. McELROY WYLIE, Presbyterian, Ecclesiastical Authority, Long Island.

CHANGES WITHIN THE DIOCESE.

Changes of Cure within the Diocese:

The Rev. ANDREW JAMES BARROW is Rector of St. Mark's, Evanston, but has, within a few days, resigned, and is without Cure.

The Rev. MARCH CHASE, Minister at Charleston, is Rector of St. Stephen's, Chicago.

The Rev. EDWIN COAN is Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Cairo.

The Rev. JAMES W. COE has resigned Cairo, and has accepted Holy Trinity, Danville.

The Rev. THOMAS K. COLEMAN, Minister at Charleston, Coles County.

The Rev. CHARLES P. DORSET, from St. Stephen's, Chicago, to Ascension, Chicago.

The Rev. ELIJAH H. DOWNING, Rector of Grace Church, Galena.

The Rev. THOMAS H. EDDY, Polo and Lee Center.

The Rev. THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD, Rector of St. John's, Kewanee.

The Rev. GEORGE GIBSON, from Jerseyville, &c., to Fulton.

The Rev. FRANK M. GREGG, Rector of St. Paul's, Springfield.

The Rev. A. W. GLASS, Deacon, Missionary on Dixon Air Line Railroad.

The Rev. J. NELSON HUME, M. D., Rector of St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.

The Rev. MATTHEW MAGILL, Henry.

The Rev. PHILIP MCKIM, from Lewistown to St. John's, Decatur.

The Rev. WM. INGRAM MAGILL, Christ Church, Harlem.

The Rev. HENRY S. PERRY, Jerseyville and Carrollton.

The Rev. WILLIAM M. REYNOLDS, residing in Chicago.

The Rev. ROBERT RYALL, Rector of Zion Church, Mendon.

The Rev. HENRY SAFFORD, Rector of Redeemer, Wilmington.

The Rev. WILLIAM M. STEEL, Rector of Trinity Church, Onarga.

The Rev. WILLIAM THOMPSON, from Kewanee to Grace Church, Galesburg.

The Rev. ROBERT TREWARTHA, Deacon, from Chester to Paris, Edgar County.

The Rev. WILLIAM E. WALKER, Deacon, Trinity Church, Geneseo.

STATISTICS.

The average statistics of the Diocese are as follows:

Number of Clergy, last year.....	89
Received by letters dimissory.....	14
Settled, dimissory letters not received.....	2
Receptions from Roman Catholic Church.....	1—17
Removed by letter dimissory.....	12
By consecration.....	1—13
Present number.....	93
Three resident without settlement.....	3—96
Candidates for orders.....	9
Confirmations, public.....	53
“ private.....	8—61
Number confirmed.....	600
Corner stone laid at Aurora.....	1
Number of Parishes and places visited.....	61
Consecration of Church.....	1
Ordination to Priesthood.....	1

CONCLUSION.

It is natural for us to regard our own age, and the portion of it with which we may be more immediately in contact, as eminently peculiar. To a certain degree, this feeling (for it is often little more), may naturally be a mistaken one. And we may the more readily admit this, because it has happened in every modern social state at least, that the living minds in contact with its struggles, or depressed by its moral obstructions, have either been lifted to the expectation of the permanent solution of its questions and facts, or been sadly prophetic that all was to be swallowed up in an abyss of wickedness and disorder. But after all, the conviction of speciality is far from being imaginary. Each age is charged with its share of the complex problems and powers of modern civilization and revealed religion, and must be necessarily a peculiar age. It is original; a new and undeveloped life, no matter how much its constitution, activity or morbid debility may assimilate in a philosophical review, to the average of historic

humanity. But we, of all past conditions, have the most reason to arrogate this for our broad common life, with the empirical changes we have originated, and which we are driving on, or by which we are driven. Whether in the overturn of the old with revolutionary energy, or the creation of new combinations; whether in the exaggerated development of the individual, or the factitious dependence into which it groups; whether amid the gigantic powers of material progress, or the breaking up of the old restraints of traditionary opinion; whether we exult in the current, swift to madness, or are baffled by its whirlpools and chutes—we hazard nothing in assuming that there never has been era more portentous and conflict deployed over a wider field, and issues more conclusive to be wrought and vindicated, than inhere in our own land, and our own relative responsibility as citizens and Churchmen. From my standpoint, these are not to be separated. They cohere in the mould to shape us, and the principles to direct us. Your birthright, or an equivalent franchise, has made you the first, and God's electing love has given you the calling of the other. My office and the occasion allow me to assume the latter as the dominant, and to offer my concluding hints to you for reflection and guidance as Ministers and Laymen of the Church of God, in its Anglican branch, in these United States.

There are two conditions to be constantly regarded in the Body of Christ. The one to defend, perpetuate and use the principles and institutions, which cannot be changed; the other to be vitally adaptive for the claims of the time and circumstances.

The first requires "the unshrinking inculcation of a definite positive faith and body of doctrine, as the

first command of God; the primary condition of Christianity; the only base of its moral virtues; the only key to all spiritual mysteries."

This is the hereditary system of the Church, for the current application of which she ought, in her ramified agencies, to be duly equipped. It is that which the world and sentimental religionism repudiate. It can only be worthily attempted through a brave, thoughtful, studious purpose in her sons and daughters, from an adaptive education begun in childhood. It must be, especially, the unceasing charge of her Ministry for influential contact with society, and the rearing of the spiritual natures committed to them. There is a longing among the Laity for principles, defined authority, and some standard of belief and duty. There is also a wide chafing against prescript authority, owing to defective training, rationalism and lawlessness, even within the Church itself. The public taste repels abstruse dogma and scholastic theology. It is impatient of technical niceties of expression or system. But the Laity welcome broad and fundamental truths, presented with historic authority, as primitive and enduring facts. They ask definite teachings on the corporeity of the Church as an organized body. On the Creeds, as the unalterable witness of that Church to the common and individual faith. On the Sacraments, as pledges and means of actual gifts. On the Constitution of our own Church, as possessing and holding primitive faith and discipline—the Mystical and the Historic—sustained by Scripture and Catholic tradition. The Laity need instruction in the history of the Anglican Communion, down from the ancient British Church; the descent in the English nation, through social changes, modifications of ritual, fluctu-

ating from the State or foreign hierarchies, through which the connection with the whole historic past has been neither disjointed nor broken. They require information on the history of the Catholic Church of the Ante Nicene period, and the Four General Councils. Especially, they need to discriminate the attitude of the Church of England in the Reformation of the Sixteenth Century, when she removed the accretions of mediævalism by a patient study of the primitive, without a reconstruction through necessity or choice which must destructively affect the past estate. Our Church acted throughout in the integrity of her unbroken lineage, with a voidance of the authority of individual theologians, however eminent, and a steadfast deference to inspired teaching and Catholic practice.

Neither in the beginning, nor since, has the Church of God ever been committed to a conglomerate and unorganized life. The religious powers were historically organized by the Divine Head, and thus secure and maintain the best individual force, because preserving the connection with the primary objective and inspired development. The diligent teaching of the rudiments of this organized and perpetuated Church is peremptorily required by the condition alike of religionism and the world. The first, so far as the organic unity is involved, is to a large degree self-willed, capricious, and time serving. In its best estate, with wealth and numbers, it is unconsciously feeling after the missing links; inventing historic forms; claiming antiquity after a few decades of existence; borrowing traditionary æsthetics, and while at variance with the idea of the divine origin and pledged perpetuity of the visible Church, surrounding itself with the fiction of it, and confusing the more the whole question of organic

unity. Clear and diligent teaching on the same is also demanded by the indifferentism of our material age, and the unsettled condition of the young mind, owing to defective religious training.

Such teaching is required, in order to breast the reaction of the old Puritan systems, the metaphysical controversies, and the strained discipline of congregational and family life. The reaction from this has gradually insinuated a prevailing scepticism, which has vitiated the affections in their relation to religious assent. It has made rarer far a habit of faith as part of the constitutional life. Associated with other concurrent influences, more material and easily recognized, the wide-spread rationalism is earnest, acute, self-reliant and sensitive. It works in a mass of mind awake and sharp beyond anything, I believe, that society has ever held, to the same extent. The individual man is singularly prevalent and our social state avowedly an aggregation of units, and yet a vague public opinion holds and binds with absolute tyranny. The dogmatism of the individual may be blatant, but the independence of the individual is a practical nullity. Hence, shallow currents flood and submerge. The tendency is more to the objective in facts—the tangible and scientific; because a spurious condition of unreasoning subjectivity has prepared the way for the rationalism and unbelief more prevalent, I fear, than it is articulate. The very minds tainted by it are often unconscious of the actuality, and rather assume with conscious integrity that they are solicitous for trustworthy facts, with which an inquiring and hungry faith may be satisfied. God's provision for this is His Church. The hope of the world, as the refuge and rallying point for unity, and the adaptive to the unrest.

cravings and experiments of our social state, is the ANGLICAN COMMUNION, with its ancestral fidelity to the Divine Faith and appointments, its comprehensive liberty in opinion, its catholicity in spirit and practice, its protest against the arrogance of the Papacy and the insidious wrongs of Romanism, and its wise and gentle yearnings for the restoration of unity. This unity the Anglican Communion has never violated, nor has it ever pursued a single wandering sister with anathema or excision. Our duty, then, as children of this Mother, is plain as it is affectionate. To be faithful in love, and demonstrative in obedience to the Faith and Order which our Lord ordained and fixed with the perpetuity of His promise, and has made us partakers of the same grace. The Church of Christ was not introduced by any series of human impulses or social agreement, and it could not thus perpetuate. It is not connected with history by such accidents, nor can it, at any time, reliably claim to exist on such grounds, nor create itself out of the Holy Scriptures, which were committed to the Church in its own prior organism, as the keeper and witness of the inspired records written by its own ministry.

In the present state of ignorance of fundamental facts, and indifference to first principles, our obvious duty is to teach them "as unto babes." But it would be a terrible mistake to assume ignorance within this peculiar domain as the equivalent condition of general intelligence and individual power. The teachers now of churchly rudiments must be men appreciative of the real life around them, sensitive to its energy as well as cognizant of its contradictions—"wise as serpents, harmless as doves." So that, while I believe there never has been a state of society where due appre-

ciation of the system and work of the Catholic Church was so imperative, there has never been a time or place where comprehensive human learning, instinct with the assurance of a spiritual understanding and a practical love, was so demanded in the ministry of the Church as now and here. There is no gradation of this preparedness from large cities and centers till it becomes attenuated in by-places and Western rural life. It is almost an inverse ratio in regard to the demand, the exigency of need, the keenness of collision, and the refined machinery to be brought into use. I hope my Brethren will allow me to say, because a consciousness within me teaches it, that ministerial disappointment is largely the result of the Ministry not being up to the exigency. We admit the claims, but become bewildered and disheartened rather than inspired by them. We appreciate the necessity of emphatic teaching of the Church's Order and Catholic Faith, and the winning assertion of the imperishable. But we feel too uninformed to venture to teach the detail and vindicate the issues. We are too unfurnished to cast challenge down into such a wild and yet practised melee. We shrink from provoking questions or stirring prejudice and imputations which we may be defective in love to bear with temper, and in acuteness to disarm. Brethren, my own fear and ignorance are in conscious fellowship with you in all this. Still I believe, I know experimentally, that it belongs more to apprehension than reality.

Let us gird ourselves more distinctly for the exigency; systematize more our subjects of pulpit teaching; give ordered place and rank to the whole Catholic and primitive in doctrine, discipline and sacraments; look vigilantly to the Sunday Schools and the children;

weed out the trashy from the libraries, and the vague from the teaching; make the Prayer Book the Text Book of instruction and training; let the children be lifted to the "praise ordained," out of their mouths by clear-toned responses and singing in the congregation; give no rest until we inspire parents with the sense of proper religious education, and create parochial schools, to sustain not alone the Church's faith, but, perchance, any faith at all in the hearts of our immortal lambs. Effort wise and good toward all this is honestly growing among us. But it is too exceptional and isolated. We want more of one heart and one voice, a conscious brotherhood of bold and definite purpose, a sense of support in our trials, because common to the "household of faith." Let us not be ashamed of the Gospel of Christ, and shelter an actual cowardice under the popular platitudes. Let us not mutilate the Gospel by ignoring "the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ," the living organization flowing through history, with its supernal current of truth and grace. Let us not permit what we say "*I believe*" in our Creeds to be jostled into any inferiority—THE CHURCH, ONE, HOLY, CATHOLIC AND APOSTOLIC, the Visible Body of the God-Man—the divine and human in permanent manifestation, where the Holy Spirit, inspired at Pentecost, formed a personal indwelling of energy and gifts, and consecrates an enduring Apostleship.

Cost what it may, we must not abstain from impressing these things which cannot be changed on every mind within our influence.

But after all, such teaching will be a failure if its form be mainly intellectual and its spirit polemic. It is fearfully mutilated as soon as it is severed from the

inward and spiritual—the power unto salvation, the life and death application to the individual soul. We cannot teach the living Church scholastically. The word and the work must be the impulse and affinity of the perpetual vitality of struggling saintship. Though the roots are deep down in long centuries, the tree must have blossom and fruit perennial. It must be known by its fruits. Hence comes the modulation of diversities of character, temper and means, the nice aptitude of the collective and personal discipline. Hence the delicacy, tact and boldness of pastoral experience. Hence the intuitive sense of elevated expediency and the adroit handling of the adventitious and local. Hence the place for each grade of power and gifts in the variety of physical and moral nature; “for it is sanctified by the word of God and by prayer.” As was said by *Master Henry Smith*, some three hundred years ago, “Therefore, though ye have seen cunning lawyers by much reading, and expert physicians by long study, yet you could never see a perfect sound judicious divine without holiness. I cannot tell how. This knowledge lies rather in the heart than in the head; and it is no great learning got by extreme study, but an inward feeling sent from God, by His Spirit, unto good men, like the ram which was brought unto Abraham when he would sacrifice his son. God teacheth him a way to make use of all that he seeth, and of all that he heareth, and of all that he readeth, and of all that he feeleth. Thus, when God has strained and fined him, he is apt to every good work and takes occasion to do them. If he but see one pray, his heart burneth to pray, too; if he see one reading, he hath a mind to read, too; if he see one meditating, he hath a zeal to meditate, too; if he

see one sorrowing, he hath a desire to sorrow, too. After this every benefit makes him thankful, every instruction makes him fearful, and he is never well but when he walketh with God, like Enoch, or when Christ is speaking to him or he is speaking to Christ. I am a collector for God, to gather hearts, doth the voice cry, either you must grant Him or deny Him."

May I address a word to the Laity, in frankness and affection, on their part in this elementary teaching and learning. The Pastor is the commissioned instructor, and the people have a claim to hear from him "the whole counsel of God." "The Priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth; for he is the messenger of the Lord of Hosts." But the Laity have thus obviously their reciprocal duty, in the front of which must be a reasonable amount of direct attention to what a true churchman ought to know, believe, do and be in his personal and corporate relations to its constitution, creeds, history and worship. There is an old story of the apprentice who refused to go to school or learn his alphabet, because his master was bound, by the indentures, to give him an education. I fear there may be sometimes a similar construction of the indenture which binds to the Church. The point is not in elaborate attainment; for, after all, a very small amount of time and hearty interest given to a few little books, and the use of them as manuals for practice, would make models of learning and reverence of our Western congregations, compared with what they now are. The condition of our Western Church is abnormal. A small portion only of its attending membership has been baptized in infancy and trained in its Creeds and discipline. It is the normal condition of the Church that its members

should "be brought up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." The New Testament assumes and provides for an hereditary religion. The promise was continued from an earlier ancestry "to you and to your children." But, in fact, four-fifths, probably, of the worshippers who frequent and sustain the Episcopal Churches were reared in ignorance of, or hostility to her Communion. The present attachment may depend, in a serious proportion of this number, on accident and a vague preference on extrinsic and personal grounds. There is no shame in this; on the contrary, it is our "crown of rejoicing." It is not proof of pastoral remissness and neglect, as it would be in an "established church;" but a witness to pastoral success and the calm force of Truth and Order, in the face of peculiar social obstructions.

But are these welcome crowds to remain nothing but a "mixed multitude"? are these apprentices to the Church's training and work to refuse instruction, and waste her opportunities in unthrift? Hundreds of those who contribute to the support of our clergy really do live in indifference to any direct means of advancing their own religious knowledge. Many do not provide proper Church Books for themselves and families. They find no time or inclination to read, even when they possess the books. They attend Divine Service without taking a Prayer Book in their hands, and disregard the postures of devotion, and would be unable to follow familiarly the order for Morning and Evening Prayer and the Administration of the Sacraments. They are exposed to hear the popular cavils to the Episcopal Church, and have no "assurance of understanding" to resist the flippant sneer or gross untruth, and no ability to give manly

“reason for the hope that is in them.” They betray her cause and themselves, because they are “willingly ignorant.” But harder still, owing to this slovenly inattention to the teaching of the Church, Laymen easily criminate their Pastor for “priestcraft,” “bigotry,” “Ritualism,” “Romanism,” or any other “mad dog cry,” as soon as he speaks and acts distinctly on the simplest Catholic truths; “magnifies his office”—summons to Confirmation, as for a gift of the Holy Ghost, the seal of Baptismal regeneration and the passport to the Supper of the Lord; shows Christ in the sacraments, and commends the mystical fellowship of His Body and Blood; keeps the appointed Festivals and Fasts; resists lawlessness and honors canonical obedience; commands reverence in holy places; chides delinquency in worship and Communion; condemns the worldliness and sensuality of a debased charity; vindicates a godly morality; pleads for a self-denying imitation of Christ; presses the details of personal holiness, or exercises discipline against the “notorious evil liver.” Sermons, well prepared and timely, fail to interest, owing to the ignorance of fundamental truths. The Preacher is faulted for his dullness, the Services for their length, the ritual for its ceremony, the Church for its stiffness, sacraments for their mystery, religion for its hypocrisy, principle for want of charity, and holiness for its asceticism. In consequence of this condition of being in the Church and not of it, false impressions easily disturb. The most serious discords which rend our parishes and blight the prospects of the all but helpless Minister, find leadership and sympathy in this very prevalence of nominal churchmanship, unthinking, unreading, world-absorbed—the accident of the household of faith.

It does not at all follow that the persons thus delinquent in their constructive relation to the Church, thus wanting to themselves intellectually and morally within her pale, present similar characteristics in social or business life. It is often the very opposite, and thus the shrewd, busy, influential and generous in social esteem enhance the evils of religious "nothingness" by eminent wisdom in their generation. We use, beloved, "great plainness of speech," and thus "beseech you, by the mercies of God," that you will "love Him with your mind" and "fill up that which is lacking in your faith," diligently and conscientiously learning more of the "OLD PATHS," and "walking worthy of the vocation wherewith you are called."

But far more than these "strangers in the Church" are the true Helpers of our Diocesan fellowship, so many of whom I have in my heart, and know their works and labor of love. Their ear will receive, as a tone of encouragement, the appeal to be more and more aggressive on the ignorance and prejudice around them; more sensitive to the inquiring spirit, asking for guidance; more demonstrative in the bond of the Holy Catholic Church, and devout in the membership of its historic branch in these United States. There is a tender wisdom in conceiving and doing, which multiplies occasions and redoubles the effect. Above all, there is the influence of a devout life, which irradiates the means by the beauty of its own trust and obedience. The same Holy Spirit kindles and consumes the acceptable holocaust of the congregation, the offerings of the family altar, and the incense in the shrine of the soul. Let us cherish more gratefully than ever the benedictions of that spirit in the sacred means by which his graces are nurtured and heavenward

aspirations expanded. All His work, in the diversities of gifts and operations, is to testify of CHRIST; all our struggling progress is to be "changed into the same image," through faith, love and hope, in patience and sacrifice, charity and zeal, and with all the holy and humble of heart, to bless the same adored Lord, to praise Him and magnify Him forever.

Not now the hours of rest or the songs of "harvest home." We are "sowing in tears," which it is vain to wipe away, for the eye must be a fountain "for the slain of the daughter of my people." Only tears must not blind us to the ready help and coming triumph, nor the present afflictions cause us to turn "judgment into wormwood." Therefore the Angel, when he had recorded all the troubles that should come in the latter days, distress of nations with perplexity, the overflowings of ungodliness, the upheaving of public and private life, with the fiery probation of belief and practice, concludes at last with the saying, "Here is the patience of the Saints."

We know not whether the signs are portentous of the end; but we do know that the Priesthood and the godly must suffer tribulation, as the same old Minister of St. Clement's Dane quaintly tells:

"Since now we are not in Paradise, but in the wilderness, we must look for one trouble after another. Therefore afflictions are called waters, because, as one wave falleth upon another, so one trouble falleth upon another. As a Bear came to David after a Lion, and a Giant after a Bear, and a King after a Giant, and Philistines after the King, so, when they have fought with poverty they shall fight with envy; when they have fought with envy, they shall fight with infamy; when they have fought with infamy, they shall fight with

sickness, like a laborer that is never out of work. Thus you see the righteous in troubles, like the Israelites in exile; yet are they but troubles, not plagues, nor curses, nor torments."

"There is a courage of the soldier. Is there not a courage of the Priest?"

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CALENDAR

Of Parochial Offerings, and of Vestry and Parish Meetings, &c., in accordance with the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Illinois.

Advent A. D. 1870. Advent A. D. 1871.

Dec. 18, 1870	3d Sunday in Advent..	* Offering, Diocesan Missions.
Feb. 5., 1871	Septuagesima Sunday...	† Offering, Diocesan Fund.
Feb. 6., 1871	.....	‡ Quarterly Meeting of Vestry.
Mar. 19, 1871	4th Sunday in Lent....	* Offering, Diocesan Missions.
Apr. 10, 1871	Monday in Easter Week	§ Election of Vestry, etc.
May 7., 1871	4th Sunday after Easter	† Offering, Diocesan Fund.
May 8., 1871	.....	‡ Quarterly Meeting of Vestry.
June 18, 1871	2d Sunday after Trinity	* Offering, Diocesan Missions.
Aug. 6., 1871	9th Sunday after Trinity	† Offering, Diocesan Fund.
Aug. 7., 1871	.....	‡ Quarterly Meeting of Vestry.
Sept. 12, 1871	.....	|| Diocesan Convention, Chicago
Sept. 17, 1871	15th Sunday aft. Trinity	* Offering, Diocesan Missions.
Nov. 5., 1871	22d Sunday aft. Trinity	† Offering, Diocesan Fund.
Nov. 6., 1871	.....	‡ Quarterly Meeting of Vestry.
Nov. —, 1871	Thanksgiving Day.....	¶ Offering, Infirm Clergy.

* See Canon XIII, Sec. 6.

† See Canon XIII, Sec. 2.

‡ See Canon VIII, *Constitution of a Parish, Art. VIII, Sec. 1.*

§ See Canon IX, Sec. 1, and Canon VIII, *Constitution of a Parish, Art. V.*

|| See Amendment to Article III, Constitution, Sec. 1, Page 26, *Journal of Thirtieth Annual Convention.*

¶ See Canon XIV, Sec. 1.

During the Convention, the following Resolutions were presented, and, and, on motion, adopted:

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Rectors of Parishes to enforce the observance of the 1st Section of Canon 12, Title II, of the Digest.

Resolved, That the foregoing Resolution, together with the Section of the Canon referred to, be printed upon the cover of the Journal. "Title II, Canon 12, Section 1: A. Communicant, removing from one Parish to another, shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate, stating that he or she is a Communicant, in good standing: and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removed shall not be required to receive him or her as a Communicant, until such letter be produced."

Diocese of Illinois.

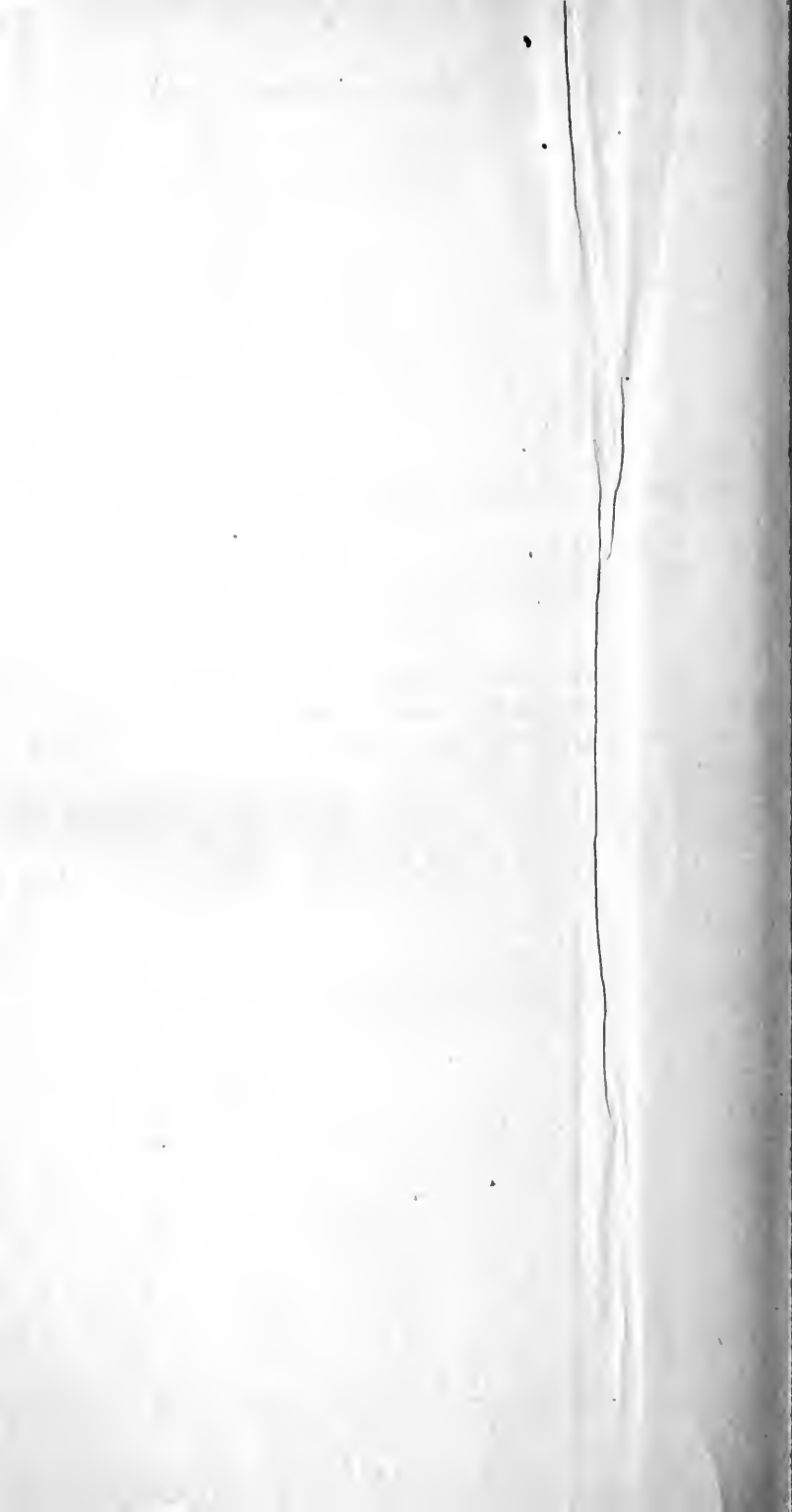
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